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Chattahoochee River Steamboats, 1832-1845

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The following is a collection of newspaper articles relating to steamboats on the Chattahoochee River, published in the Columbus, Georgia, newspapers, 1832-1860. Unless otherwise indicated, the articles are from the Columbus Weekly Enquirer microfilms. Some years are missing on the microfilm and a few are unreadable. Articles were copied as they appear.

January 14, 1832:

Our river is in good boating order. We have had four steamboats [Georgia - David J. Britt, master; Baltimore - J. Jenkins, master; General Marion - Cummings, master; and Plaquemine - Gunyard, master] up this week, and a new one called the Chattahoochee is expected.

March 3, 1832:

The heavy rains which have fallen within the last ten days in this section have placed the Chattahoochee river in fine boating order, and have swollen the creeks to an unusual height.

March 31, 1832:

We omitted to mention in our last, that the steamer Baltimore, Capt. Jenkins, made her trip from Apalachicola to Columbus, whence she arrived on Saturday, the 17th inst. in sixty hours, it being the shortest trip ever made between these two places.

April 21, 1832:

Merchandise was received here yesterday by the steamboat Baltimore, which was shipped at New York for Apalachicola only twenty-four days since.

June 23, 1832:

Owing to the low state of the water in our river, the Baltimore now lies at the Euchee Shoals, twenty miles from Columbus. She is freighted for this town, and will be relieved by lighters. -- We learn by gentlemen from Apalachicola, who came passengers in the Baltimore, that several vessels were hourly expected from New York when they left, loaded with merchandise principally for Columbus. Some few weeks since, a vessel was chartered in Charleston by a gentlemen of this town, to load at Havana with groceries for this market. She arrived at the Bay from Cuba, previous to the starting of the Baltimore. The Georgian is below on the river, and will be up the first rise.

We believe we have before omitted to mention, as among the evidences of our growing prosperity, that Capt. Britt proceeded to Pittsburgh, Penn., some weeks since for the purpose of superintending the construction of a steamboat, to be built by a company in Columbus. She is intended to be of a lighter draught than the Georgian, and to ply on the river when the water is at a low stage.

October 20, 1832:

The Chattahoochee river has been in a navigable condition for some weeks. The steamer Georgian, Capt. Barrow, has already made one trip to Apalachicola and back, and is expected in a few days with a second freight. The owners of the Georgian will, early in December, have another fine boat upon the river. Capt. Britt, formerly of the Georgian, was despatched last spring to Pittsburgh to superintend the construction of a new boat, and we learn, that she is nearly completed.

Mr. Thomas Penny, an enterprising merchant of this town, is the owner of a fine boat called the Chattahoochee, of one hundred tons burthen, built at Cincinnati twelve months since, which will play the present season between Columbus and Apalachicola. She is represented as an uncommonly excellent boat, and is said to have performed several trips between New Orleans and Louisville with great expedition, within the last few months. She probably left New Orleans for Apalachicola several days ago.

The Baltimore, Capt. Jenkins, will we suppose ply, with her usual success upon the Chattahoochee.

There is a report current here, we know not upon what authority, that a gentleman of Apalachicola, in conjunction with a company in Baltimore, has taken the contract for transporting the mail semi-weekly in steamboats between Columbus and Apalachicola. It is further said that this gentleman has proceeded to the West for the purpose of procuring two steamboats to enable him to perform the contract.

December 15, 1832:

Mr. Robt. Beveridge of Florida has entered into a contract with the Post Office Department to convey the mail semi-weekly in steamboats from Columbus, GA., to Apalachicola, Florida. This contract we learn, is to go into operation the first of January.

January 5, 1833:

We have omitted before to notice more than the arrival of the Chattahoochee at this place. This boat was built at Cincinnati, Ohio, in the year 1831, under the superintendence of her enterprising owner, Mr. Thomas Penny of this town. She plied for several months on the Mississippi with great success, previous to her entrance on the water of the Chattahoochee. She is commanded by Capt. Grant, and is a vessel of very excellent materials, and has a very powerful engine. The Chattahoochee is in every respect a capable Boat, and her cabins are well fitted up for the accommodation of Passengers.

The new Steamboat, Columbus, Capt. David J. Britt, master, left Pittsburgh, Penn., on the 24th of November, arrived at Apalachicola on the 28th of December, and reached this place on the 3d of this month. This vessel is entirely new, and is owned by a company in Columbus, who have now engaged in the trade between Columbus and Apalachicola, the Steamers Georgian and Columbus.

The Columbus was constructed the past season at Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, under the personal superintendence of Captain Britt, by Peter Shouse and company. The engine, (one of great power and strength,) was built by Stackhouse, Tomilson & company, whose works are located at Flougherty near Pittsburgh. The Engine of the Columbus is the first discharged from the works of Stackhouse, Tomilson & Co. and does great credit to the skill and enterprize of these gentlemen, who have recently erected their establishment at Flougherty. The Columbus is 142 feet and 4 inches long, 19 feet and 6 inches wide, and 5 feet and a half deep.

The Columbus has a Ladies' and Gentleman's cabin, both elegant and spacious.

January 12, 1833:

The mail packet Versailles, Jacob Rynear master, arrived here on Tuesday last from Apalachicola. Col. Robert Beveridge, of Florida, entered into a contract in October last with the Post Office department, to convey the mail semi-weekly, in steamboats, from Columbus, Georgia, to Apalachicola, Florida, to commence on the first of this instant. The steamer Versailles has been purchased by the contractor, and placed in the line and will convey the mail once a week from his place to Apalachicola, until the first of April,

when the Andrew Jackson, a small and substantial boat now building at Steubenville on the Ohio, will take her place in the line. Until the arrival of the Andrew Jackson, the Versailles will leave Columbus every Wednesday morning at six o'clock, deliver the mail at Fort Mitchell, Fort Gaines, Franklin (Ala.) and arrive at Mount Vernon every Sunday morning at ten o'clock; leave Mount Vernon same day at two o'clock, P.M. and arrive at Columbus every Tuesday at two o'clock, P.M.

The establishment of this line will serve a regular and safe communication between this point and Florida. Indeed, persons travelling from the north, or west, to Florida, will reach their destination as soon, and much more comfortable, by taking the steamboat at this place, than by any of the land routes passing into the territory. At Mount Vernon, where the Versailles stops an hour or two, on her way up and down the river, a stag line intersects passing from Tallahassee to Pensacola, by the way of Quincy, Webbville and Marianna. The immense travelling from the north to Florida, which leaves the main stage line at Milledgeville, will find it decidedly more advantageous and convenient to keep the stage until their arrival at Columbus, where, especially during the winter and spring, it will meet a steamboat almost every day of the week and the mail packets regularly twice a week after the first of April. The stage from Milledgeville to Tallahassee passes between the two places in four days. The road leads through a section of country barren and uninteresting, having very poor accommodations; and the stages running that line, we learn by a gentleman who recently passed through it, are small two-horse hacks, crowded with mails. The northern stage arrives at Milledgeville in the afternoon of each day. -- Persons passing to Tallahassee, by keeping the main stage line to Columbus, and taking the packet on the morning subsequent to their arrival will reach Tallahassee in three days and a half after obtaining two nights' rest, one at Columbus and one on the river. There are five steamboats now plying the Chattahoochee river, all having excellent and some splendid accommodations, commanded by men of character and experience. Between the first of November and the last of May, there will generally a boat leave Columbus every day or two, so that persons wishing to pass into Florida can calculate with tolerable certainty on not being detained more than twenty-four hours at Columbus between November and June. The mail packet Versailles will leave regularly every Wednesday morning for Apalachicola until the first of April, when the Andrew Jackson will take her place in the line, and the two boats will run in conjunction, one leaving Columbus every Wednesday and Saturday morning.

The Versailles is eighteen months old, and was employed in carrying the mail on the Ohio river until her arrival on the Chattahoochee. She is a convenient and substantial boat, having cabins spacious and well furnished, and we learn from her commander, Capt. Ryneer, that he can run the Versailles without difficulty, whenever he can find twenty-six inches of water.

February 2, 1833:

The Steamer Columbus arrived at this place on the 30th ult. with goods which left New Orleans on the 24th.

June 15, 1833:

FLORIDA MAIL

The new Steam Boat Andrew Jackson, Lott master, launched at Steubenville, Ohio, on the 17th of April, and intended as a Mail Packet between Columbus and Apalachicola, arrived here on Tuesday the 11th inst. with the Florida mail. The Boat will, in connection with the Versailles, be employed in conveying the mail between this place and Apalachicola, leaving Columbus alternately every Saturday and Wednesday morning at six o'clock, and arriving every Thursday and Saturday at 12 o'clock noon.

December 7, 1833:

The Steam Boat Van Buren, arrived at our wharf, on Sunday morning last, from Apalachicola. Freight principally Dry Goods. This is the first visit of this kind this season.

The Baltimore, in attempting to pass the Uchee Shoals, 18 or 20 miles below Columbus, unfortunately broke a shaft, and has returned to Apalachicola, to repair the injury.

We understand the Baltimore, has undergone a thorough repair the past summer, and is now declared by "competent Shipmates and Port Wardens at Apalachicola, to be in good order, and river worthy."

December 28, 1833:

STEAM BOAT DISASTER

The Steamer Georgian, Harris master, full freighted for Columbus was snagged and sunk on the 26th inst. about fifty miles below this, near Roanoke, Stewart County. She was loaded with Dry Goods and Groceries, for merchants in this town, which together with the Boat, will no doubt, be entirely lost. The principal part of the Goods, we understand, were insured, but the Boat was not.

We learn that in ascending the river in the usual channel, the Boat struck a snag that lay concealed in the water, which forced a hole through the bottom and held her there; before she could disengage from the snag the water flowed in so rapidly that notwithstanding the exertions of all on Board she went down in twelve feet of water with every thing in her. Nothing but the Cabin which is in the upper deck remained out of water, and it is probable she cannot be raised. The Georgian was owned by Messrs. J. S. Calhoun, Harris and others of this town, and was built at Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, about three years since. She was sold last June to the present owners for eight thousand dollars. We understand the freight of the Georgian is supposed to be worth from 50 to 100,000 dollars. Next week we shall probably be able to give further particulars relative to the causes and extent of the loss.

January 4, 1834:

We noticed in our last, that the Steamboat Georgian, bound to Columbus, had been snagged and sunk with her whole cargo. We have been informed and are now sorry to state that there is no hope of securing the boat or her contents. It is looked upon as an entire loss. The goods on board belonging to the Merchants of this place were insured.

March 8, 1834:

We have now six Steam Boats regularly plying between this place and Apalachicola. We believe they are all nearly new, and of suitable draught to navigate our river at almost any season of the year, except in extraordinary low water. The boats were all built somewhere on the Ohio, and brought round by way of Orleans. The first attempt to construct a boat in our section has been made within a few months. We understand that a very substantial boat of light draught, designed especially for our river, has recently been launched at Fort Gaines, by our enterprising fellow-citizen, Capt. Gunyard, she is appropriately called the Native Georgian, being built by workmen of this State, and all her timber being the growth of our soil. She is now receiving her machinery, and will be ready for service in a few weeks. We hope this laudable undertaking of Capt. G. will be liberally rewarded by a full share of public patronage.

May 10, 1834:

Steam Boat For Sale

The Steam Boat Sangamon, with all her tackle &c. will be offered for sale at this port, on the first Monday of June next, on a credit of six and nine months, at public auction. This boat has been known upon the river, and any person desirous of purchasing will in the interim, have an opportunity of examining her; she is 19 months old, as appears from her register; is built of very staunch materials, and is of light draught of water; she is admirable adapted for carrying cotton. Also at the same time and place and on the same terms, the Barge Mary Jones.

Maclay & Asher

Apalachicola, May 10.

December 13, 1834:

STEAM-BOAT DISASTER.

The Steam Boat Van Buren, we are informed, loaded with Cotton was destroyed by fire, a few nights ago, on her passage from this place to Apalachicola. Every thing on board was consumed, even the baggage of the passengers. The loss is estimated at something like \$45,000. We do not know, but are of opinion, that the boat and cargo, was insured. The passengers were compelled in order to save their lives, to jump overboard, in some instances without their clothing, and swim to shore. The boat was owned by Capt. Wood, an enterprising gentleman of Apalachicola and others of this place.

December 27, 1834:

Our town during the present week has presented quite a business-like appearance.-- Bales of Cotton have rolled down one street, whilst up another, sacks of Salt and Coffee, hogsheads of Sugar, barrels of strong drink, and boxes of all manner of merchandise have moved to their place of deposit on every known and conceivable vehicle, from the strongest road wagon burdened with its thousands down to the humble wheelbarrow, rattling under the weight of a solitary flour barrel. Every body and every thing seemed at times to be moving to and from the boat landing. -- On Christmas eve, we went down ourselves to know the cause of so much ado. The discovery was soon made. There stood, in all their pride, seven beautiful Steam Boats, some giving up their cargoes to the industrious draymen, whilst others were receiving the bales of short staple bound to foreign lands, where manufactured into divers cambricks, calicoes and muslins, they will soon seek again it may be, this self same port. Three of these Boats are entirely new, and are now on their first visit to Columbus, viz: the Eloisa, the Ellen, and the Southern. We have but little mechanical genius, as our friend above here very justly remarked, and consequently are unable to form a critical judgement on the prospective merits of these master pieces of mechanism. The Ellen seems built for strength; the Eloisa for activity; and the Southern probably for both. This is our opinion. If we were running against breakers, we might prefer the first. If fleeing from danger, or racing for a wager, we should take the second. But if we simply desired to go in perfect safety and due time from this place to the Bay and back, we would take a berth in the third, provided she was at the wharf when we desired to be off. No invidious comparison is meant. They are all three, as far as we can judge, strong, beautiful and well adapted to the navigation of our river. Their commander who, we are informed, respectively superintended the building of these Steamers, will no doubt, as is their due, receive the reward of their industry and enterprize. Close beside these "all in a row" lay our old acquaintances, the Columbus, Chattahoochee, Versailles and the Georgian. All four of these, have done and are still doing good service. The last mentioned, though buried for months, and shorn thereby of her

external beauty, has been rescued from her watery grave by the exertions of her commander, and now walks the stream again almost like a thing of life. We hail them all, old and new, as evidence of present prosperity, and as signs indicative of brighter days yet to come. As long as there is freight to give them employment, we shall gladly see these seven and as many more loading and unloading at our wharves.

January 10, 1835:

ANOTHER STEAM BOAT DISASTER. A week or two ago, when we noticed the arrival at our wharves of three elegant new Steamers, we little thought, that it would so soon become our duty to notice the loss of one of their number. The Eloisa, owned by Messrs. Stewart & Fountaine, J. S. Calhoun, B. Hepburn, and Col. D. J. Britt, was entirely consumed by fire on her first voyage from this place to Apalachicola, during last week. Her cargo and all her valuable furniture were entirely lost. She was loaded with Cotton, owned by several merchants of this place and elsewhere, which was insured. The Boat, it is hoped, was insured, but nothing certainly is known to that effect, as no advices have been received from the Agent in New Orleans, who had been directed to effect an insurance, previous to her departure from this place.

This is the second Boat which has been burned on our river during the present season. Such accidents are usually the result of negligence in some body. From our personal acquaintance with Col. Britt, the enterprising commander of the Eloisa, we are persuaded that the blame does not fall to his lot. Some careless hand, probably had left fire in the hold. All hands on a Steam Boat should be wide awake and duly sober.

January 16, 1835:

ANOTHER STEAM BOAT DISASTER

The Versailles, was snagged and lost, with her cargo, consisting of Cotton, a few days since, near Fort Gadsden, a short distance above Apalachicola. If we were superstitious, we might well believe, that the evil spirits of the fiery and watery elements were at work; and it is, we can only attribute the frequent accidents of late, to the unavoidable perils of the river. Hardly a week passes without a Steam Boat disaster, scarcely a paper is issued from our press, without bearing with it, some such melancholy tidings as the present. Can nothing be done to render more safe the navigation of the Chattahoochee? The Legislature has refused at its late session to aid in this work, and the mercantile community here and at the Bay, will have to effect the object by their combined exertions, or submit to the future losses that may happen. Surely the wealth and wisdom of both places combined, might do something, for the individual and general interest of all parties concerned. One thing is certain, no Boat can go or come in safety, when the channel is obstructed by snags, logs, and other impediments, likely at all times, to send the floating store houses in ruin to the bottom of the stream.

February 20, 1835:

The Steamer Ellen, Capt. Jenkins, arrived at our wharf on Saturday morning last in 43 hours 15 mins. from Apalachicola, freighted with merchandise for Columbus. This is some kin to rail road traveling.

March 27, 1835:

ANOTHER STEAM BOAT ACCIDENT. On the 6th inst. the Steamer Sangamon descending the Flint River, struck a rock near Newton, in Baker county, and immediately went to the bottom. The Sangamon was owned in this place and Apalachicola. She had on board, at the time of the accident 173 bales of Cotton, the greatest part of which was saved. The engine, which we understand to be the most valuable part of the Boat, will be raised.

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June 19, 1835:

The following is a statement of the Number of Barrels, delivered by each steam Boat since May 6th, 1835. Also their cargo down.

	Cargo Delivered Equal Bbls.	Frt. down Eq'l Bales
Steam Boat Southern	2346	69
Steam Boat Columbus	2474	22
Steam Boat Chattahoochee	1992	49
Steam Boat Ellen	1959	91
Steam Boat N. Georgian	1691	90
Steam Boat Georgian	1425	60
Steam Boat A. Jackson	<u>821</u>	<u>56</u>
	12710	242

John Auchinleck, Agent.

October 9, 1835:

The Barges, Mary Eliza, Capt. Barrow and Jane Decatur, Capt. Broadnax, left this place yesterday with 300 bales of Cotton, for Apalachicola, shipped by James S. Calhoun, & Co. This is the first shipment of Cotton from our port this season.

December 11, 1835:

STEAM BOAT ACCIDENT

The beautiful and well constructed Steam Boat Ellen, brought upon our waters last season, was snagged and sunk last Friday in ascending the River to Columbus. The accident occurred near Porters Ferry, midway between Columbus and Apalachicola. The whole or nearly all of her cargo, amounting to 60 to \$70,000, we learn is lost -- nearly all of which, we understand, was insured.

The Ellen was owned by Capt. Jenkins, an indefatigable and enterprising gentleman, who has done much for Columbus, by his assiduity and success in overcoming the obstacles of our river. -- We are sorry to hear that Capt. J. was not insured; but we still hope that this may prove as untrue; it would be a serious loss indeed, and especially so to Capt. Jenkins, who has earned his property by his own personal and unremitted industry.

The Planter, a new Steam Boat, on her way to this place from Apalachicola, was also snagged a few days since, but not badly injured. We learn that the cargo was taken off and the boat ran on a bar before she went down.

April 15, 1836:

The Steam Boat, Anna Calhoun, left our wharf loaded with Cotton on the 6th, went to Apalachicola, remained there 27 hours and returned to this place, with her cargo, on the 10th inst. -- Making the trip in four days. A fisherman over whose small craft she accidentally passed "sorter thinks she went with a vim."

We have an idea of sending by the Stage to the port of Milledgeville, for the steamer Wave, in order to give this flying critter a bit of a race, to the Bay and back. Who goes our halves?

April 29, 1836:

STEAM BOAT LOST

The Steamer Ohioan, Capt. Freeman, was burned on our river on Saturday last. The particulars, as we have received them from a passenger, are as follows: -- On Friday last the Ohion, freighted with merchandize for Columbus & intermediate landings, with 15 passengers, left the wharf of Apalachicola. On Saturday morning, when about 8 miles below Ocheese, the alarm of fire was given, and in three minutes the boat was enveloped in flames. With much difficulty the female passengers were handed into the yawl boat and rowed safely to shore. The other passengers jumped over board, and succeeded in swimming to land, with the exception of a servant girl, who was lost. The boat was owned by the Captain, and other gentlemen probably of Mobile. She has been running our river only a few months. We regret to learn that she was not insured. The boat and cargo was valued at \$25,000, part of the latter insured.

January 29, 1836:

Too much praise cannot be bestowed on our fellow-citizen Judge Calhoun, for his praiseworthy tender of the Steam Boat Anna Calhoun, to convey to the assistance of our suffering [due Creek Indian Hostilities] fellow-citizens below. Our friends in that quarter will know how to appreciate his kindness, when we inform them that the Steam Boat was kept lying at our wharf two days, at the disposal of those who would volunteer to assist them.

May 20, 1836:

The Steamer Georgian, which was lying at the bank, succeeded in getting off after the fire commenced [battle of Roanoke, May 20], without loss, although she was fired upon several times, before she could get under way.

The Steamer Columbus, for this port, was abandoned 20 miles below, in consequence of the danger of ascending. A company of men left this morning to bring her up. All our trade must be done under military protection.

June 9, 1836:

An attack was made on the Steam Boat Metamora on Saturday last whilst ascending the river, which proved rather a bad pick up to the assailants. Among other articles the cargo consisted of about one hundred and fifty men who were not very particular whether they were attacked or not, and whose object was to do their country some service. These boys returned the fire with spirit, as long as an enemy was in view. The following particulars of the fight have been furnished us by officers in command of the expedition.

On Saturday, an attack was made on the Steamer Metamora, Loyd Capt. which at that time contained the following companies, viz: Capt. Booth's company, Pike Guards, for Ala., Capt. Adair's company of Randolph Blues, and Capt. Snelgrove's company from Randolph Co. Ga. -- In consequence of the Indians having made frequent attacks on Boats passing up and down the River, these troops, who were at that time in Irwinton, determined to pass up, in order to obtain a brush with them -- the entire companies were not ordered on this duty, but those who came, volunteered their services for the purpose. The Pike Guards are a mounted company, but so strong was their belief that the boat would be attacked, that they left their horses

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in Irwinton, to which place they returned on Wednesday. These troops were marched on board the boat about two o'clock on Saturday morning, during a heavy rain, to the amount in numbers, of about one hundred and fifty men. One third of the Georgia troops at least were without either arms or ammunition. The boat got under way from Irwinton about day light the same morning and passed on without interruption, about five miles above Roanoke, when a fire was opened upon her from the Alabama side of the river. The firing was warm and lasted about ten minutes. It was returned with equal warmth and spirit from the boat, and the boat as soon as practicable run ashore; when the troops, embarked and formed upon the bluff above. After the boat landed, the firing ceased, it was then determined to march back to the place where we were first assailed and drive back the Indians; but it was found that the Creek would have to be passed before the enemy could be come up with. To pass this Creek, covered as it was with thick undergrowth was deemed to be imprudent. The Troops were accordingly again embarked, and the boat again got under way.....Some five miles above, the boat was again attacked and a running fire kept up for several miles. The Indians in this attack did not appear to be numerous at any one place, but only shewed one or two at a time, when they were immediately fired upon from the boat.....After this engagement the boat met no further interruption, until she arrived at this place, which she did about 12 o'clock, Sunday.....

Since the attack on the Metamora, as related above, several other Steam Boats have ascended the river without interruption, which induces us to think that the gallant affair on Saturday will make the savages a little more cautious.

Washington, May 23rd, 1836

The Editor of the Columbus Enquirer.

Dear Sir -- The news of Indian barbarity, in and near the Creek country, thickens upon us. We have just heard of the burning of the Steam Boats and the massacre of the village of Roanoke; and it is with deep regret that not a single company either under the authority of Georgia or Alabama, is moving to the relief of the suffering people. The Secretary of War, informs me, that not only has every soldier at the disposal of the Government, been sent to the Creek country, but that the marines from several naval depots, amounting to four or five hundred, had been ordered to that point

Your obedient servant &c.

Dixon H. Lewis.

Washington, May 25th, 1836

The Editor of the Columbus Enquirer.

Sir -- Within you will find a letter just received from the Secretary of War. The burning of the SteamBoats on the Chattahoochee River convinced me and other members of the Delegation, of the propriety of this measure. It is proposed not only to have a sufficient number of SteamBoats, but to have them well manned, with hardy American Tars, able to force their passage up the river, and at any time to transport provisions, men or munitions of War.

Your obedient servant &c.

Dixon H. Lewis

War Department, May 25th, 1836

Sir: -- I enclose herewith, the Copy of a letter addressed to the Secretary of the Navy, by which you will perceive the department has anticipated your proposition for the employment of Seamen and Steam Boats upon the Chattahoochee river. I coincide with you in opinion, that the measure contemplated will be very useful.

Your obedient servant &c.

Lewis Cass

Hon. D. H. Lewis, House of Rep.

War Department, May 24th, 1836

Sir -- As you have stated your willingness to detach a body of seamen for the purpose of aiding in the operations against the Seminole and Creek Indians, I have the honor to request that three Steam Boats may be manned by them and that the officer commanding may be instructed to ply up and down the Chattahoochee River for the purpose of transporting the necessary supplies, of keeping open the communication and of operating against the Indians. It would be well to have these boats properly barricaded and mounted with some pieces of Artillery. Orders have been given through the quarter master's Department to have them chartered immediately at New Orleans and to have them sent on to Pensacola where they may be immediately manned and put in service.

Major Gen. Jessup has the command of the movements against the Creek Indians has also been authorized to procure one or two more boats upon the Chattahoochee to be employed in the same manner in addition to those above mentioned. Should he find it expedient so to do, and should consider proper to have them manned with seamen. I have further to request that the necessary detachments for that purpose may be furnished.....The great object is to annoy the Indians and to protect our people, and you will oblige me by giving such general instructions as will effect these objects.

Your obedient servant &c.

Lewis Cass

Hon. M. Dickersom, Sec. of Navy.

June 16, 1836:

On Thursday last, a detachment consisting of the Fauche Volunteers from Greene, and the Independent Artillery of this place, under command of Capt. W. C. Dawson, was ordered to make a cruise up and down the river, on board the steamboat Metamora, for the purpose of preventing the Indians from crossing to the Georgia side. In a few hours Capt. Dawson with his command went on board the boat, and forthwith descended the river. They had proceeded to the Uchee Shoals, when the Indians commenced a quick and rapid fire, from both sides of the river, which was returned with spirit by the detachment under Capt. D.

No injury was sustained on the part of the whites, but from the balls penetrating and in some instances passing through the fortification, some of them must have narrowly escaped. Five Indians and a negro that was with them, were seen to fall, and were supposed to have been killed.

When the firing commenced, Capt. Dawson, we understand, ordered the boat to round to, which at that moment was impracticable, she being at that time running down through the shoals. So soon as the boat could be turned, it was done, and she ascended the river slowly, when the firing on each side was renewed. After this engagement Capt. Dawson continued his cruise down and landed, and in conjunction with the forces stationed at Fort Jones, buried the remains of those men, belonging to Capt. Garmony and Bull's companies, who had previously fallen in their desperate engagement with the Indians. The *Metamora* returned on Monday, bringing the wounded belonging to the Gwinnett company. It is unnecessary for us to say any thing in favor of the officers and soldiers belonging to this expedition. We all know Dr. Hoxey's artillery men, and if Dawson's boys wont fight, they will do very well to fool the world with. The *Metamora* left yesterday on an expedition.

June 23, 1836:

MAJ. HOWARD'S REPORT TO GEN'L SANFORD

Steam Boat *Metamora*,

June 13, 1836

Major General Sanford:-

On my way to Columbus on the 9th, I received information that the Gwinnett corps, which I had the day before, stationed at Dr. Shepherd's Plantation, had been for some time engaged with the Indians, and was then surrounded. Although my command had on that day ceased, I believed I might be of some service to them and the country, by repairing immediately to the scene of action. The boat was on its way down, and I availed myself of the facility which it afforded, of reaching the place at the earliest hour. At eight o'clock the next morning, I left the boat, and proceeded to Dr. Shepherd's house, when to my great mortification and surprise, I found that the company had been driven from their position and the dwelling and some of the negro houses burnt. -- After a little examination, we discovered that we were the first to visit the spot, since the Indians were in possession, and our party of observation being small, I deemed it most prudent to return to the boat. We then made our way to Roanoke, a few miles below, when we heard that at least half of those, who were in the engagement were lost, and that the Indians were in force a short distance from the battle ground. -- So soon as we could make our arrangements, we marched out in force from Fort Jones, which could be spared from the protection of the wounded, consisting of parts of the Gwinnett and Monroe companies, and a few Volunteers from Randolph, Lee and Stewart, commanded by Major Jernigan, together with a portion of Capt. Dawson's and Gen. Lawhon's companies, from the boat, the whole amounting to about two hundred men. Upon our arrival, we made no discoveries of the enemy, but found four of the Stewart volunteers dead on the field, who were immediately interred. Night approaching, we marched to the Boat with Capt. Dawson, and as soon as his troops embarked, we returned to Fort Jones. The next day aided by Capts. Moore and Booth and Gen. Welborne, with a few men, all from Irwinton, Ala. (our force being about one hundred, Capt. Dawson having been compelled to go on to Irwinton,) we proceeded to the battle ground, and in about one mile, in the direction of the retreat, we found four of the Gwinnett corps killed¹. After searching the fields

¹Since the report was made, four others have been found dead, which were all that were missing.

and woods, in the immediate neighborhood, we proceeded on the Indian trails to the river, and discovered that they had in considerable numbers, re-crossed the river at the mouth of the Hatchachubby. The engagement was brought on by the fire of the enemy upon eight of the Monroe company, which I understood were returning to their post from Columbus; these retreated to Fort McCrary. Capt. Garmony hearing the firing immediately repaired to the place, with forty men, and commenced a heavy fire upon them; he believes there were one hundred Indians at that time in view; he kept up a continued fire upon them, until the Indians were beaten back to the Creek, something more than a half a mile, when he believes they were reinforced by one hundred and fifty warriors, which forced his company to give back, which they did slowly, and in order, keeping up their fire to the place where he had first attacked them. Superior numbers enabled the enemy to outflank our forces, and most of the company being cut off from the house, commenced a precipitate retreat. Capt. Garmony and a few others reached the station, but were cut off from the houses, by the Indians availing themselves of the cover of the Garden, to intercept them. At that place, it is believed by the Capt. and those that were with him, that he killed three Indians with his own musket, one of whom he shot, after having been himself shot through the thigh with a rifle ball. It is worthy of remark that none of his men were killed, until they commenced a precipitate retreat. In justice to the company, it must be said that most of them fought with the most obstinate and determined bravery, and it would seem invidious to make distinction between them, but there are two privates who so pre-eminently distinguished themselves, that I cannot withhold special notice of their names -- Samuel Ship and a Mr. Hunt, -- the former fired deliberately, and I hope with great effect, twenty three cartridges; the latter was severely wounded with a ball passing through his neck, after which he fired three rounds upon his rapidly advancing enemy. Young Alexander too fought bravely, but receiving a ball in his arm, he was soon disabled. The captain evinced as much coolness as well as bravery throughout the whole engagement, as is ordinarily exhibited by old and experienced officers. He not only gave the enemy eighteen of his own cartridges, but was active and vigilant in directing his men in the attack and the defence, and when he had only a few men around him, himself wounded, and the Indians firing upon them from almost every direction, he maintained his presence of mind so as to order the lot fence to be pulled down in several places, that his horses might escape capture from the enemy. All concur in their testimony that a considerable number of the enemy fell. I cannot conceive how they could have done better under the circumstances, for I had on that day ordered twenty of that company to take possession of Fort McCrary and keep it for a few hours, until I could send Capt. Dennard's company down, which was only six miles above at Boykin's plantation. When I reached there, I was informed that Owen's houses were on fire, and a number of Indians in the yard. I, of course, repaired to the place, with all the force I could command. I soon discovered that the Indians had not been there; but the time spent in going to Owen's delayed Capt. Dennard's arrival at the post assigned him until near night. About the time Capt. Garmony's company was dispersed, the Indians were attacked by Major Jernigan and Capt. Bull, with about thirty men. They fought about twenty minutes, when they were forced from the very superior number of the enemy to retreat, with the loss of four excellent citizens of Stewart County, Jaret Iwin, Robert Billups, David Delk, and Mr. Hunter. -- Our old acquaintance Samuel Beall, from Wilkinson county, was in the last reconnoitre, and exposed himself to imminent perils. While upon the subject of these boarder difficulties, it is proper that I should communicate to you the best information which I have been able to obtain on the little affair at Boykin's, only a few days before. I had ordered Capt. Carr of Crawford, from Fort Twiggs to Boykin's -- upon his way down, he was informed by the negroes that the Indians were building canoes on the western bank. He sent to Fort McCrary with the information. Sergeant Major Brown and Capt. McCrary, with a small portion of Capt. McCrary's and Capt. Parkham's company joined Capt. Carr that evening at Boykin's. The next morning the whole took their station opposite the place where they heard the Indians at work. Not long thereafter, something like a dozen Indians approached the river, apparently for the purpose of launching a canoe. -- They were in an open place, and Serg't. Major Brown ordered a fire. Three Indians were seen to fall; they were taken up by their fellows and carried away. A spirited action of more than an hour was kept up, in which a large portion of the officers and men behaved with much gallantry. It is believed that the enemy lost six killed, and it is now known that two of their principal men were wounded, one of them badly. We lost one killed, as you have before been informed, none wounded. In this affair many privates whose names I do not now recollect, distinguished

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themselves for their coolness and bravery, and I believe all concur in the statement that Serg't. Major Brown, Lieut. Bradford and Saunders from Crawford, Lieut. Robinson from Sumter, and Serg't. Files from Crawford, without disparagement to other officers, were particularly distinguished for their usefulness.

Your obedient servant,

John H. Howard

Maj. Gen. Winfield Scott,

Sir -- In conformity to your orders, dated on the 14th inst. with my company, and a detachment from the Independent Artillery Company, (of Columbus,) consisting of twenty-five, I proceeded again in the Steam Boat Metamora, on a cruise down and up the river, between this place and Irwinton.

When I descended the river, which was on Wednesday and Thursday, but few signs or indications of Indians were discovered -- on arriving at Roanoke, I stopped for some time to cooks, &c. Whilst there, the Steamer Hyperion, hauled to, and placed supplies on the bank, for that portion of the army stationed at Fort Jones, which consisted of a quantity of Bacon and twenty barrels of Flour -- the Hyperion left, and in a short time the Metamora also continued her cruise. When I left the shore, the supplies were still on the bank, and a small guard to protect them. When I reached Irwinton, I immediately inquired for Gen. Moore, but could only hear nothing of his movements -- except, that he had taken as prisoners, certain chiefs of the Ufawla Town, and the following names were given me, of the Chiefs: - Tustenuggee Harjo, Artimicco and others -- that he marched on the 12th, took only five days provisions, that he was expected to return to Irwinton, and that he had sent back no express -- the despatch therefore, which you forwarded by me to Gen. Moore, has not been delivered -- it will be returned to Head Quarters.

I remained thirty minutes at Irwinton and hastened up the river, to the mouth of the Cowagee, for the purpose of executing your order, in ascertaining whether the Indians have in preparation, Canoes, Flats and Rafts, as reported. I caused the Boat to haul to, and remain, until the examination and inquiry could be made. No sign of canoes or flats, or Indians could be seen -- and as the Plantations were in cultivation, and whites and negroes both on the Georgia side, standing on the bank, I got into the yawl and went to them, and made strict inquiry, and ascertained that the reports relative to this point are not correct. -- There is a company stationed opposite the mouth of the Cowagee, (from Randolph county.) At this place, I received information of the attack at Fort Jones, and that an express had come for aid for the company there. Hearing this, I immediately ordered the Boat to be off for Roanoke, opposite to Fort Jones, and to give her all the steam she could bear. Her movements were rapid, and by dusk I reached Roanoke, and found on the bank two young men who had attempted to get to the Fort, but could not. They informed me that the battle was still going on, and that large number of Indians were still firing on the Fort and yelling excessively -- that the houses around the Fort were on fire. I had all my command in readiness, and so soon as the Boat was anchored, I ordered twenty men to protect the Boat, and for her to be hauled to, and anchored in the stream. I then marched out with the Fauche Volunteers -- Lieut. Iawhon at the head of the detachment of the Independent Artillery Company of Columbus. We proceeded towards the Fort, to aid in its defence, and endeavor to drive off and destroy the enemy. On our march, we met Gen. Lowe and his mounted men, consisting of two hundred or more, who had hastened to the aid of Fort Jones. The Indians had fled and taken to the swamps, and it being dark, it was impracticable to pursue them. Gen. Lowe and his command returned to Fort Jones, and my command to the Boat. On our return to the Boat, it was discovered that the twenty barrels of Flour, which had that day been left by the Hyperion, to supply the Fort, were on the Alabama side. We forthwith crossed over the Boat, (although very dark,) went ashore, and found that every

barrel had been emptied, and the contents gone. Whilst the attack on Fort Jones was going on, I presume another party of the Indians were taking off the flour. The barrels seem to have been floated across the river.

Early the next morning, I went to the fort, where I found Gen. Lowe, and received from him and Capt. Fluellen of Monroe, the following information.

That on the day before, about 2 o'clock, Capt. Fluellen, with fifty or sixty of his command, were on a scout in Mr. Turner's Plantation, and were fired on by about two hundred and fifty Indians. The firing continued for a short time, and the number of Indians being very strong, a retreat was ordered, as the Indians were extending their flanks, and endeavoring to intercept them at the Bridge on Lumpkin's Mill Creek; -- before the retreat was ordered, Capt. Fluellen received a slight wound in his leg. Two of his company, Major Morgan and Mr. Ward, were severely wounded. Major Morgan was shot through the arm near the shoulder, and the bone shattered very much. Mr. Ward was shot through the leg -- both these gentlemen, I caused to be taken aboard the *Metamora* and are now in this place. The Indians pursued the scouting party from the field, where the engagement commenced, and reached the Fort in a few minutes after them, and continued to fire on it, from that time until the arrival of Gen. Lowe and his command. From all I could understand, the firing continued more than two hours. They set on fire, the houses of Mr. Warren, in sight of the Fort, only a few hundred yards off, and others in view. They succeeded in taking and carrying away many horses belonging to the Fort. During the attack on the Fort, nine of the soldiers were injured. I saw on my visit to the Fort, one dead Indian, shot by a Mr. Chambers of Gwinnett, in the act of riding off a horse, belonging to the Fort. How many Indians were killed or wounded, is uncertain -- around the Fort next morning, were signs of much injury having been done them -- blood was seen sufficiently to trail them, as I was informed. The number around the Fort are said to have two or three hundred.

Whilst at the Fort, Gen. Lowe suggested a plan of extending his mounted men from the Fort as high up the river as Turner's field, and for me to go up the river and endeavor to intercept any Indians that might attempt to pass. This was agreed on. I immediately returned to the Boat, and had not been aboard but a few minutes, before the Indians were spied on the Alabama side. -- The firing commenced from the shore, as the guard first discovered them. The Indians returned it for a short time -- but so soon as the firing increased from the boat, they disappeared. -- What success our bullets may have had, I cannot say -- theirs reached the boat, and some of my company believe theirs reached the Indians. -- We then ascended the river slowly, according to the plan agreed on by Gen. Lowe. On the way up, we saw where large numbers of Indians had crossed in canoes and bateaus and on rafts -- all fresh, and could not have been made but a short time. All the canoes &c. were on the Alabama side, except two. We captured and destroyed eight canoes and small flats, or boats, between Roanoke and the Hatchachubba, many of them were new, and had no doubt been prepared to pass over and attack the fort, to obtain provisions, and remove their families. I considered the destruction of the canoes as frequently hazardous, and in every instance had the Boat hauled to, and the protection of the men, who would go in the yawl, made as certain as possible.

At the mouth of the Hatchachubba, we went ashore to destroy a canoe, saw fresh signs of Indians. The Indians, (many of them,) are well mounted -- we saw where they had swam the horses across the river, which they had taken from Fort Jones. One of my company, during the firing at Roanoke, ascended a tree and saw an Indian on horseback, standing as a watch. I saw one myself, who seemed to be closely observing our movements; he was on horse, and about three hundred and fifty yards off. I am of opinion they are well informed in relation to all our movements.

During my trip, whilst acting in concert with Gen. Lowe, a few Indians were compelled to flee so rapidly, that they dropped their bundles of plunder, clothing and a Rifle, all of which we have now in possession. We also had the unpleasant duty to perform, of burying a most worthy citizen, by the name of Warren, who had on Friday last, been murdered by the Indians, and found lying in Mr. Turner's field.

I have thus hastily given you the information I derived from my last cruise, and the incidents which occurred.

Your obedient servant &c.

Wm. C. Dawson

Capt. commanding on Metamora

November 2, 1837:

STEAM BOAT FLORENCE

This Boat, built expressly for and most admirably adapted to the navigation of our River, arrived at the wharf on Saturday night with 600 barrels, notwithstanding the extreme low water. The Captain states that he had no kind of difficulty in ascending the River and could have brought with the same ease a thousand barrels. As before remarked the Florence was built on purpose to run in the waters of the Chattahoochee, and from the experiment, made at the time it was, we are almost disposed to think she could run on dry land, for the river is surely as low as we have ever seen it. -- The idea that has been seemingly entertained here that a Mississippi Boat would do for our river, always looked rather ridiculous. Our's is a first rate stream of its size, but every one ought to know that it is not quite so large as the Amazon and a few others. Fit the size of the Boats to the size of the River, and they will be able to run summer and winter. The Florence we understand was constructed for a tow Boat, and in addition to her freight has engine power enough to carry two Barges. She is not the prettiest thing we ever saw, but to swim where there is no water, she's a buster.

April 12, 1838;

STEAMBOAT SUNK. The steamboat Le Flore, we learn, sunk a few days since, just below Fort Gaines, on her way to Columbus. We have heard of none of the particulars. This is the first accident of any importance that has occurred on our river this season. -- Irwinton Herald.

November 14, 1838:

STEAM-BOAT DISASTER. We have just learned that the Steamer Floridian, with a valuable cargo of goods for this city, was sunk about 100 miles above Apalachicola on the 6th inst. Loss estimated at \$70,000. The boat was owned by Messrs. Barden and Beasley, Jordan, and others, of this place, and we regret to learn she was not insured.

January 9, 1839:

The Steamer Alabama, on her way from this place to Apalachicola, run upon the shoals below Fort Gaines, and was seriously injured. A portion of her cargo of Cotton was seen floating down the river, several miles below the place of the accident. The frequent occurrences of such disasters upon our river, give evidence, to say the least of it, of great carelessness, on the part of those who control the boats. It has been suggested, that a committee be appointed by an association of merchants, to examine into the causes and report the probable remedies. The condition of our commercial affairs and the high rate of insurance, call loudly for a material change.

We regret to say, that a portion of the loss has fallen upon the Columbus Insurance Company -- what amount we are unable to say.

February 6, 1839:

OUR RIVER NAVIGATION

The accidents which have happened on the Chattahoochee river, during the present and former boating season, have caused several of the Insurance offices at the North, to refuse to take risks upon shipments to and from Columbus, while others charge so high a rate of insurance, that it amounts to an enormous tax upon our merchants. We have understood that some offices charge five per cent upon the goods destined to this place, while insurance to Macon and Montgomery, may be effected for one and a half to two and a half per cent. This speaks badly for our river, and those engaged in the boating business; and notwithstanding there are as good boats, as experienced and careful navigators upon it as can be found any where, yet a few disasters which have had the appearance of being caused by negligence, a want of skill, or bad river, have, combined together, caused much injury to result to the reputation of Columbus, and great loss to her merchants. -- Under these circumstances, it devolves upon them to devise some means by which the risk may be lessened, and the rates of insurance reduced; and we know of no method by which it can be so readily accomplished, as to make up a company for the purpose of supplying one or more iron steam boats for the river. It is believed that boats of this description, will not cost more than twenty thousand dollars each; and the company might with safety and profit insure all goods and produce carried by them. The stock in such a company would be readily taken by our enterprising merchants and capitalists, and we trust some of them will take hold of the project and carry it out.

November 4, 1840:

DESTRUCTION OF THE STEAMBOAT LE ROY - SIX LIVES LOST.

By a slip from the Commercial Advertiser (Apalachicola, Fla.) we have the following particulars of a most melancholy accident:

The steamboat Siren, Capt. Field, brings intelligence of the loss of the Le Roy, Washington Smith, master, and reports the melancholy news that six persons were killed, and several dangerously wounded. The accident occurred on Sunday last, and 2 o'clock, P.M., opposite Blounts town, on this river.

The Le Roy was employed on the Brunswick line, in the conveyance of the mail, and passengers, between Chattahoochee and Iola, and on her last trip was coming from the first named place. She is represented to have been an old boat, but was not considered unsafe. It appears that her boilers exploded, and afterwards she caught fire and burned down to the water's edge. The wreck now lies opposite Blount's Town to which place the wounded were conveyed.

Among the passengers was Mr. Willis Alston, and we believe he was the only one who escaped unhurt. He is reported to have stated, that before leaving Chattahoochee, he observed something about the boat which created a feeling of insecurity. Thus impelled, he kept near the stern of the boat as possible, that being the safest place. On hearing the explosion, he immediately jumped into the yawl boat, and thus made his escape while the vessel was on fire.

The killed are reported to be:

Daniel Rowlett, passenger,

Washington Smith, master,

John Ashton, engineer,

Pressly Hicks, fireman,

John Waller, fireman,

Henry Carter, a free mulatto steward.

The names of the wounded we have not learned.

Fortunately, there were not many passengers on board, otherwise the disaster would have been still more melancholy. The Le Roy was owned by the mail contractors on the great Southern Route, Messrs. Hopkins and Stockton.

FURTHER PARTICULARS

Since the above was in type, through the politeness of Capt. James Y. Smith, of the steamboat Louisa, we have received a more circumstantial account of the melancholy catastrophe above related.

The Le Roy left Chattahoochee on Sunday, at half past 10, A.M. conveying the mail to Iola. The accident occurred two miles above Bluntstown, at the hour before stated.

The names of the wounded are:

_____ Holloman, Pilot,

Sam Smothers, a free mulatto, cook.

A black woman belonging to the boat, and a negro boy, belonging to Judge Spang.

There were three persons who escaped unhurt, making in all thirteen persons who were on board at the time of the accident.

The wounded were conveyed to the plantation of Mr. Sutton, where they have received every attention, and are in a fair way of recovery. The pilot is much bruised, having been blown several feet into the air, and fallen on the wreck, with the wheel in his hand.

Nothing was saved but the mail, which was blown on to the forecastle. The river, Capt. Smith says, is literally strewed with fragments, and since the accident the boat has entirely disappeared, leaving nothing but the stern pole to indicate where it lays.

After the explosion, and before the fire, a Mr. Tapper went on board the wreck alone, to render assistance to the wounded and recover the bodies. While thus engaged, the wounded were taken away in the yawl boat, leaving him without a living companion. In its absence the flames spread with fearful rapidity, but with undaunted, and true bravery, he still persevered to the imminent danger of his life, and had the return of the yawl been delayed a few minutes, he would undoubtedly have fallen a sacrifice to his heroic benevolence. We are happy to state that he escaped, but such noble conduct should not go entirely unnoticed.

Capt. Smith, master of the Le Roy, was only in temporary command, the regular master having engaged him during his absence at a Camp Meeting. The mail was rescued by Mr. Sutton, and conveyed to its destination by the Louisa.

February 24, 1841:

THE NEW STEAMER ORIOLE

A. Leonard, master,

Will run regularly between this place and Apalachicola, stopping at the intermediate landings. The Oriole is a substantial, light-draught boat, and will be enabled to ascend the river, whenever any other boat can. Her cabin is handsomely and commodiously fitted up for Passengers. Captain Leonard, being an experienced engineer, and having commanded several boats on this River for many years, confidently expects a share of patronage from his friends and the public generally. Freights by this Boat, up and down, will be taken as low as by any other; and engagements for the same may be made with

Yonge & Beall, agents.

Columbus, Jan. 29, 1841.

November 9, 1842:

We learn by a gentleman direct from Chattahoochee, that the Steamer General Harrison [see November 16, 1842,] while endeavoring to force her way over a sand bar, near the junction of the rivers, burst one of her boilers, by which three persons were killed. Our informant did not learn any further particulars in regard to the extent of the damage done.

November 16, 1842:

STEAMBOAT DISASTER.

In our paper of last week, we noticed an accident said to have happened on board the steamer Gen. Harrison, Capt. Van Vechten. Our informant was mistaken as to the boat. It was the Chamois, Capt. Morton, on which the boiler collapsed, and three individuals were killed. The names of those killed are Andy Vail, 1st Engineer, Wm. Canifax, Steward, and Joseph Floyd, deck hand. Capt. Norton himself was badly injured, but we are happy to say not dangerously.

NEW STEAMER. -- The new steamer "Columbus," Capt. Allen, intended to run between Columbus and Apalachicola, left Pittsburg on the 10th ult. -- She is said to be a boat of very light draught, and is furnished with Evan's safety valves, to prevent explosion of the boilers.

November 20, 1844:

Our river is now in tolerable boating order, and it is raining at the time of this writing -- the prospect is good for a fine river. Several boats will probably arrive at our wharf to-day, that have been detained some distance below in consequence of low water.

Among them is the Agnes, having on board the machinery for the Cotton Factory recently erected in this place by Maj. J. H. Howard & Co.

Columbus Times, March 12, 1845:

ANOTHER BOAT SUNK.

The Fort Gaines whig of the 8th inst. says -- the steamboat Lowell, Capt. Moore, was snagged and sunk, on Tuesday last, at a place on the Chattahoochee called "the Cowpens," a few miles below this place. the principal part of the cargo and machinery has been taken out. We learn that the boat is a complete wreck, not worth raising, if it were practicable.

May 7, 1845:

STEAMER CHARLESTON.

One of the boilers of this Steamer exploded at the Race Pass, opposite Gen. Hamilton's plantation at 12 o'clock, M, on Monday last -- tearing the boiler deck into a thousand fragments and throwing the chimneys down, without other injury to the boat. -- Two of the negro firemen were severely scalded. The Clerk, Mr. Apling, had a miraculous escape, for every thing around him was shattered to splinters and he thrown into the river without injury. All the passengers were ashore at the moment, with the except of two ladies and two children. The Charleston was on her return from Apalachicola, with the following passengers: -

Mrs. Bugbee and child - lady and child unknown - Messrs. Bugbee, Clayton, Hall, Campbell, Mangham and Sims.

The passengers are indebted to the kindness of Gen. Hamilton's family for conveyances to this city, which they reached last evening.

The cargo was not injured. Not the slightest blame is attributed to the officers of the Boat and the accident is regarded as an incident to Steamers, against which no human foresight can guard.

Columbus Times, May 7, 1845:

STEAMBOAT EXPLOSION.

The Steamer Charleston, Capt. Freeman, on her passage up from Apalachicola collapsed one of her boilers, on the 3d inst. The accident occurred at the Uchee Shoals, 16 miles below the city. The boat was in the act of getting off when the explosion took place. Fortunately the most of her passengers were on shore at the time and what seems Providential, not a single life was lost. We understand that the only personal injury occurred to one of the negro deck hands, he was slightly scalded.

We have gathered no particulars as to the cause of the accident. We believe the Charleston works double Engines; if this be so, it furnishes to our mind a satisfactory explanation of the cause of the blow up, while suffering a detention on the sand bar, accumulating steam, and without the means of pumping water into the boilers.

Columbus Times, November 5, 1845:

NEW BOATS FOR THE CHATTAHOOCHEE.

We clip from the Pittsburg Daily Commercial Journal, the following description of the new steamer, Peytona, H. Greer, Master, designed as a Columbus and Apalachicola packet.

We also learn from the New Orleans Picayune of the 30th Oct. of the clearance from that port of the new steamer, Emily, John L. Roland, master, for apalachicola and designed for the same trade as above.

PEYTONA.

We were delighted on Saturday, during a visit to the new steamer Peytona, a Cotton boat of the first class. Her dimensions are as follows: length of keel 155 feet, with false sides of 5 feet each; her hold is 6 feet in depth, and she measures 10 feet between decks. Her engines, she carries two, are entirely new, and of the best workmanship. The cylinders are 18 inches in diameter, with 7 feet stroke. She is provided with 3 boilers, 38 inches in diameter, by 25 feet in length.

In short the Peytona is one of the best boats of her class; and such of our readers as are curious in such matters, would spend a few minutes very pleasantly, on a survey of her.

She is owned by Greer & Co., and was built by Walker. Her engines were made by Stackhouse & Nelson, painting by W. Lees, cabin by McIlinger, upholstery by E. Edmundson.

She is designed for the Chattahoochee trade; and will leave this port in a few days for New Orleans, Pensacola, and Apalachicola, under the command of Capt. Greer, and we have no doubt the Peytona will lead the 'Fashion' in whatever trade she embarks in, and long may she plough the waters of the South. Our desire is that her enterprising owners may reap the reward they so richly deserve.

Printing and Publishing in Columbus, Georgia
A Brief History

By
Leard R. Daughety

In books lies the soul of the whole past time; the articulate audible voice of the past, when the body and material substance of it has altogether vanished like a dream.

-- Thomas Carlyle
1795-1881
(Oxford Dictionary)

Just as the ancient Egyptians wrapped and bound their departed loved ones as a means of preservation, so authors have united with printers for centuries to preserve the voice of the past in an organized form.

The first newspaper in Columbus was the *Columbus Enquirer* which was printed weekly from a small shop on Broadway and Eleventh Street. It was founded in 1828 by Mirabeau Lamar prior to the sale of lots in Columbus. Growing steadily with the City of Columbus, the *Enquirer* began daily publication on September 24, 1858¹. The first book publisher and bindery in Columbus, however, was started by Thomas De Wolf of Connecticut. Mr. De Wolf was responsible for Columbus' first daily newspaper, the *Daily Sun*, in 1854. Besides the *Daily Sun*, Mr. De Wolf also established a print job office and bindery located on the east side of First Avenue. Before coming to Columbus, Mr. De Wolf had published a newspaper in Montgomery, Alabama. One of the young men employed by De Wolf was Thomas Gilbert, a 14-year old English orphan.

After seven years of working for Mr. De Wolf, Thomas left, and eventually worked for Horace Greeley on the *New York Tribune*. During a visit to Columbus to see his old friend De Wolf, Thomas was encouraged to stay. By 1865, Thomas had become editor of the *Daily Sun* as well as a partner in the printing company.

The *Daily Sun* was destroyed by Federal troops on April 17, 1865, the day after the battle at Columbus. Operations were resumed on August 31, 1865. Shortly thereafter, Thomas Gilbert acquired the *Columbus Daily Times* and moved all of his printing operations to Number 15, Twelfth Street. On January 7, 1874, the *Daily Sun* was purchased by the *Columbus Enquirer*. Having sold the *Daily Sun*, Gilbert now concentrated on book and job printing. In 1874, he commissioned John H. Martin to write the first history of Columbus. Martin was assisted by Walter De Wolf, son of Mr. Thomas De Wolf. Martin's *History of Columbus 1827-1865* was published in 1874². Thomas Gilbert also published the first *Columbus Industrial Index*³. The Gilbert Press would be dominant publisher in Columbus for more than 50 years. Following is a list of some of the books and pamphlets printed by Gilbert during this period⁴:

"Annual Reports of the Officers of the City of Columbus, Georgia" 1876

"List of Premiums to be Awarded at the Second Annual Fair of the Columbus Industrial Association" October 31, 1874.

"Register and Statement of Columbus Female College" 1881-1882

"Commencement Exercises--Chappel College" 1891

"Brush Electric Light and Power Company" 1893.

"Surgical Clinic" Dr. William Lewis Bullard, Eye, Ear, Nose, and Throat Specialist, 1895.

"Facts in Favor of Deepening the Chattahoochee, Apalachicola and Flint Rivers," 1901

"Information to Water Takers" Columbus Water Works, 1904.

Thomas Gilbert's son, James, had joined his father in the printing company and in 1930 wrote and published *The History of the First Presbyterian Church of Columbus, Georgia 1830-1930*. James Gilbert had been a member of the church since childhood. He had served as secretary of the Board of Trustees of the church for thirty years⁵. This history has been reprinted several times and is still available for sale from First Presbyterian Church. In authoring and printing this history, James Gilbert followed in the steps of his father who had initiated Martin's History of Columbus. James Gilbert married Evelyn Cargill; however, their union did not produce any children to carry on the family firm. James Gilbert died on April 6, 1848, at 82 years of age. The *Columbus Ledger* described his passing in this way:

Mr. James J. Gilbert's life span of 82 years embraced the whole of the modern history of Columbus and his death eliminates a fruitful link with the rich and honored past.

It was our pleasure often to drop in and chat with Mr. Gilbert in his musty little office in the Gilbert building; a place of business which he never permitted to be modernized but kept as it always was, with old-fashioned high desks and stools, and green-shaded single bulbs dangling from electric cords. It was a niche in Columbus which always reminded us of Dickens, and its cool remoteness was always soothing, especially of a hot afternoon.

Mr. Gilbert never tired of rifling through the yellowed files of old newspapers, old pictures, old magazines which cluttered his office and great, old-fashioned vault, and many's the time we have been deeply indebted to him for some bit of lore which only he could have provided⁶.

The man who would succeed James Gilbert as Columbus' unofficial historian moved to Columbus from Talbot County in 1888. William Clyde Woodall began his association with Columbus as a carrier for the *Columbus Ledger* at 14 years of age. He was paid the handsome sum of 20 cents per day for his duties. When he graduated from Columbus High School at 16, he became the only reporter for the *Columbus Ledger*, then under the editorship of his brother Walter. At the old age of 20, Woodall acquired his own weekly newspaper, the *Sunday Herald*. After publishing the *Sunday Herald* for a year, he returned as editor of the *Columbus Enquirer-Sun* where he stayed until 1910. While at the *Enquirer-Sun*, Clyde and Walter began publishing the *Georgia-Alabama Industrial Index*. This weekly periodical covered industrial, construction, and business news in the southeast United States until 1966⁷.

After leaving the *Enquirer-Sun*, Mr. Woodall wrote various columns for newspapers. "Vanity Fair" for the *Columbus Ledger*, "Good Morning" for the *Enquirer-Sun*, and "Among us Georgians" for the *Atlanta Constitution* made Mr. Woodall well known in Columbus and the state of Georgia. In 1937, Mr. Woodall wrote a book based on his newspaper articles called *Hometown*. Published by Columbus Office Supply Company, this book proved a major disappointment to him. Out of 1000 copies published, only 125 were sold. Mr. Woodall also wrote a lengthy history of the Royal Crown Cola Company of Columbus in 1962 and contributed to *A History of Public Schools in Columbus, Muscogee County, Georgia* (published in 1977 after his death).

Mr. Woodall's greatest contribution to local history was through his column "Our Town" which he wrote for the *Columbus Ledger-Enquirer* from 1963 until his death in 1971. Although not in chronological order or limited to a particular subject, the articles nonetheless vividly depict the history of Columbus. A sampling of these articles follows⁸:

"County and City's Growth"

(Detailed changes in the population of Columbus beginning in 1830, 1963)

"More On Our Old Homes of City"

(Background on some historic residences of Columbus, 1967)

"Columbus Company of Boys"

(Youngest Company in the Armies of the Confederacy was from Columbus, 1968)

"Swordmaker to Confederacy"

(Describes Louis Haiman, who made swords from smuggled steel in old Muscogee Iron Works, 1969)

"John Page, Our First Teacher"

(Describes John Randolph Page, the first school teacher mentioned in history of Columbus, 1970)

"All Quiet on Chattahoochee"

(Columbus in 1914 and World War I mobilization, 1970)

"Did You Know We Were Wewoka Before Columbus?"

(Published shortly after his death, 1971)

William C. Woodall died February 18, 1971, at the age of 93. He had spent his life involved in the city of Columbus. Besides serving as president of the Columbus Historical Society and as a director of the Chamber of Commerce, he was also a member of the Muscogee County Board of Education for fifteen years. In 1963, one of the five original buildings of Columbus College was named for him. The Woodall Building was dedicated in 1975⁹.

Competing with the Gilbert Press in the first half of the twentieth century was Columbus Office Supply Company. Columbus Office Supply Company, or COSCO, was founded October 1, 1912 by Louis C. Kunze. Louis Kunze was born November 26, 1890 in Baltimore, Maryland, and orphaned at four years of age. When he was 14 years old, he went to work for the Faulkner Company. The Faulkner Company sold printed forms to banks along the east coast of the United States. In 1907, Louis was sent to Georgia as a sales representative for his company, making his headquarters in Atlanta. Covering all of Georgia, including Columbus, he became his company's leading salesman. At the age of twenty-one, he opened COSCO at 1241 Broadway. At first only office supplies were sold. The company was soon moved to 111 Twelfth Street, not far from the original location of the Gilbert Press. It was here that Mr. Kunze began his printing business¹⁰.

COSCO used three different types of printing. The letterpress was used first, followed by lithography. The letterpress is the basic method of transferring ink from a metal plate directly to paper. The transfer is made with a forceful pounding, which imbeds the ink into the paper. It renders a sharp but harsh impression. Offset lithography is another method of printing that transfers the ink from a metal plat to a rubber blanket, thus indirectly transferring or offsetting it to the paper¹¹. A third type of press was used for raised printing on invitations, business cards, and stationary¹².

One of the major sources of income for COSCO was the production of junior high and high school yearbooks. As early as 1922, COSCO printed the year books for Columbus High School¹³. Eventually COSCO became the printer for most of the yearbooks in the Muscogee County School District. COSCO also printed the first yearbook for Columbus College. Other sources of income for COSCO were pamphlets and print jobs for Fort Benning¹⁴.

However, it was in local histories that COSCO had its long term impact. In 1929, *A History of Columbus, Georgia 1828-1928*, compiled by Nancy Telfair, was published by the local firm. For the price of \$250, prominent Columbus citizens could have their biographies included. These were used to offset the cost of production. The retail price of the history compiled by Ms. Telfair was \$50. There were to follow two more

histories: *Columbus on the Chattahoochee*, by Etta Blanchard Worsley, in 1951, and *City of Progress* by Margaret Lavey Whitehead and Barbara Bogart in 1978. Like the first history, advertising space for biographies were sold to aid in the cost of production. The histories were compiled using various sources including Martin's *History of Columbus* and James Gilbert's *History of the First Presbyterian Church*. Various individuals representing families of Columbus were contacted to either write parts of the books or to provide valuable information. Emily Woodruff, for example, took an active part in writing the history of her distinguished family and the role they played in the development of Columbus. Likewise, the Hardaway Company insured that prints of its construction projects, especially the dams and bridges, were used. Approximately 1000 were printed. The average retail price of both histories were \$35 each. COSCO also published histories of Harris, Twiggs, and Stewart counties¹⁵.

By 1936, COSCO had moved its printing operations to 1335 Sixth Avenue. At its peak COSCO employed approximately 30 employees. On October 2, 1972, Louis Kunze celebrated 60 years as head of the family printing company. On November 26, 1972, at exactly 82 years of age, Mr. Kunze died¹⁶. Louis Kunze was succeeded as president of COSCO by his youngest son, Joe F. Kunze. On November 26, 1974 a fire destroyed about 40 percent of the COSCO building as well as damaging most of the machinery. Almost all of its records were also burned¹⁷. In the early part of 1976, Joe Kunze was replaced as president of his father's firm by his older brother, Louis C. Kunze, Jr. Louis Kunze, Jr., had previously worked at Howard Printing Company as well as COSCO. By 1980, COSCO's machinery and its employees were showing signs of age. Due to lack of modernization and expansion, COSCO was forced to close its doors. Businesses, like children, once born, are difficult to surrender to the future. For COSCO to have survived and remained in operation, Louis Kunze, Sr., probably should have surrendered control of his company sooner than he did. Mr. Louis Kunze, Jr., now 74 years old is still involved in the printing business as a salesman for Metro Printing¹⁸.

Another work of local history was published in 1976 by Howard Printing, located at 1166 Brookhaven Boulevard. *A People Courageous* by Howard Coulter, chronicles the history of Phenix City, Alabama. There were between 3000-5000 copies printed and sold for \$15.00 each. Following the pattern of histories printed by Columbus Office Supply Company, advertising space for biographies were sold to help in the cost of production. These biographies sold for \$300-\$500. *A People Courageous* was the only book published by Howard Printing Company. Howard Coulter, the author, was the father-in-law of the president of Howard Printing, Bev Howard (Bev Howard had his name legally changed from "Beverly" in 1962 when he joined the U. S. Army.)

Howard Printing had its roots in another old Columbus printing firm, Standard Printing. In 1928, Standard Printing published the *Columbus Centennial Industrial Index*. Located across the street from Tom's Foods, one of Standard's main products was the cellophane used in production by Tom's. In 1954, Beverly H. Howard bought the printing operations from Standard and set up offices at Eighth Street and Eighth Avenue. Eight years later, Mr. Howard died of a heart attack while attending a Jordan High School football game. His son Bev, a lieutenant in the United States Army, came home to take over the family business. On February 1, 1984, Howard Printing was sold to COMMUNICORP, the printing division of American Family Life Assurance Corporation. Bev Howard began working for COMMUNICORP in 1982 and is currently President and Chief Executive Officer¹⁹.

An exception to local printing and publishing in Columbus is J. Tom Morgan, Jr., founder of Litho-Krome. Tom Morgan was born February 7, 1911, on Ninth Street in Columbus. In 1930, after dropping out of Georgia Tech, he enrolled in a correspondence course in commercial art. During this time Morgan worked for Walton Printing Company in Columbus. Walton Printing was later sold and renamed Commercial Printers Incorporated. In 1934, Morgan decided to leave Columbus and travel to New York City to achieve his goal as a successful commercial artist. The competition for work and training was highly competitive. It was during

this frustrating time that Morgan realized that what the printing industry needed was not more or better commercial art, but ways of making reproductions that were closer facsimiles of the originals²⁰. Morgan carried his dream back to Columbus when he returned to work for Commercial Printers Incorporated. By 1942, Morgan was in complete charge of CPI and eventually purchased the printing company. CPI printed labels, catalogs, brochures, and posters for Royal Crown Cola Company of Columbus. This work drew the attention of companies outside Columbus such as BAMA Company of Birmingham, Alabama. CPI was able to acquire a large contract to print the labels for the jars of this jam and jelly manufacturing company²¹.

By 1946, Morgan had developed a new color process which he called Litho-Krome. This was a process of controlling the colors in printing by using a series of filters to transmit and reflect the various shades of light. Morgan's emphasis on quality and the willingness to achieve it paid off. In 1949, Morgan won the New York Art Directors Award for his "Wine and Cheese" print which now hangs in the Smithsonian Institution. Morgan also developed two other inventions which aided in the printing process: Litho-Krome Black gave more depth and life likeness to black and white photographs and the Litho-Krometer which extended the range and depth for color reproductions²².

By 1955, Litho-Krome was making color separations for four different manufacturers of greeting cards. Two of the companies were Hallmark and American Greetings. Eventually an order for American Greetings was shipped to Hallmark. This unintentional but serious mistake resulted in Litho-Krome only producing work for Hallmark²³. In 1964, Litho-Krome began printing greeting cards for Hallmark. This led to Hallmark being responsible for half of the \$4 million in sales by Litho-Krome in 1975. In December of 1979, Morgan sold Litho-Krome to Hallmark. One of the conditions of the sale was that Litho-Krome operations would remain in Columbus. Morgan was almost 69 years old at the time of the sale²⁴.

One of the motivations in choosing the history of book publishing in Columbus as my project was to try and answer this question: "Why isn't there currently a major publisher in Columbus?" I have been in retail bookselling for almost ten years. During that time I have purchased and promoted a few locally-produced books. Most of these were published by Quill Publishing, located at 1326 Tenth Avenue. For the purposes of this paper, the owners declined an interview. Based on my research, interviews, observations, and personal experience, I have reached some conclusions.

Despite the existence of a large readership, both secular and religious, an economic market does not exist for publishers in Columbus. Most of the printing firms mentioned in this paper were of the father-son variety. All three suffered greatly or ceased to exist when the original head of the firm passed on. Columbus Office Supply Company had the best opportunity to prosper because of its locally-centered history. It failed, however, due in part to it being family-owned. I believe one major reason for the lack of a publisher in Columbus is the inward-looking attitude of the printing companies. The burden of book distribution is placed upon the author and his initiative. On a national scene, the publishing firm takes the lead in promoting and providing sales for its authors' materials. Successful local authors, such as Jim Koger, must rely on publishing firms in Atlanta or elsewhere to make their efforts worthwhile. It is my hope that Columbus would not silence the "articulate audible voice of the Past" by failing to provide a medium with which to speak.

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*Records of Baptism from the First Register
of
Trinity Parish, Columbus, Georgia
Part 1, 1836-1862*

by
Mary Kent Berry

Baptisms by the Rev. E.D. Christian--Missionary

(Name)	(Born)	(Parents or servants of)
1835		
Feb. 8		
Allen, Lewis Cooley		L C. & M
Wells, Frances Louisa	25 Jan. 1832	Elbert & Sarah
Wells, Maria Elizabeth	5 Jan. 1834	"

Baptised by the Rev. Seneca G. Bragg--Visitor

Feb. 8			
Ticknor, Francis Orray			Dr. Orray & H.C.
Dillingham, George Washington	28 July 1833		G.W. & L.E.
Mary Elizabeth(col.)	Child		Servant Betsey

Baptised by the Rev. Edward Nenfvile--Visitor

May 12			
deGraffenried, William Kincklassu			Dr. Edwin & Martha
deGraffenried, Edwin F.			"
deGraffenried, Jane Strange			"
deGraffenried, Boswell Baker			"
deGraffenried, Marshall			"

Baptisms by the Rev. John H. Norment--Missionary

1836			
Jan. 24			
Ticknor, James H.	4 Mar. 1820		Dr. Orray & H.C.
Eliza Coolidge(col.)	Child		Servant Betsey
Feb. 7			
Matthews, Allen James			Henry & Ann
Matthews, Savannah Georgian			"
Matthews, Charlotte Florian			"

1837

June 11			
Allen, Frederic Hoyt	20 Mar. 1836		L.C. & M.L.
June 11			
Bonner, William Huguenin	23 Oct. 1836		S.R. & M.A.
Sept. 24			
Hooper, Sophia Mallette	21 June 1837		G.deB. & C.A.

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Oct. 17

Allen, Mrs. Mary L.

Adult

Smith, Mrs. Phebe

Adult

Palmer, Miss Annette

Adult

1838

Apr. 2

Hicks, Nancy

14 June 1837

William P. & L.A.

Younge, Phillip H. Bragg

11 Dec. 1837

Isaac N. & Phebe

Smith, Anna Catharine

21 May 1837

C.A. & F.W.

Peabody, Charles Williams

20 Jan. 1837

"

Peabody, George Augustus

5 Sept. 1837

Elbert & S.

Wells, Sarah Curtis

8 June 1836

E.L. & M.

DeGraffenried, Adelaide Victoria

Apr. 13

Thompson, Mary A.

Adult

O'Neil, M. Almira

Adult

Gordon, Mary

13 Apr. 1836

Thomas G. & F.C.

Gordon, Elizabeth

15 Jan. 1838

"

Aug. 5

Peabody, Sarah Prentiss

J.B. & E.A.

Nov. 4

Matthews, William Douglas

20 Aug. 1838

Henry & A.

1839

Oct. 6

Schnell, John

28 Oct. 1838

Jno. & F.

Oct. 8

Hodges, Mrs. Lav. M.

Adult

Hodges, Henry Kelley

15 June 1839

H. & L.M

1840

Wells, Adeline Alice

8 Feb. 1836

Benj. & Louisa

Wells, Abigail Curtis

22 July 1839

"

Davis, Sarah Louisa

11 June 1839

Jno. E. & Sarah

Mar. 4

Heine, Louis Adolphus

17 July 1836

A.L. & D.

Heine, Ropatta Eugenia

20 Apr. 1838

"

Bonner, Seymour Ransons

15 Apr. 1839

S.R. & M.A.

Mar. 31

Young, Hiram Palmer

H. & A.

Apr. 19

Mitchell, Florida

14 June 1837

T.S. & S.F.

Mitchell, Ella Brownell

3 Dec. 1839

"

Rogers, Mary Bland

31 May 1838

Chas. & C.M.

Raney, David Greenway

29 Oct. 1839

D.G. & H.F.

Apr. 27

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deGraffenried, Margaret Phebe	16 Dec 1839	E.L. & M.
Wise, Ann Lovie	23 Dec 1839	Chas. & L.
May 24		
Hurd, Emily Elizabeth	5 Oct. 1839	Homer & A.L.V. (AL)
Aug. 30		
Campbell, John Wesley	15 May 1829	Col. John W. & A.W.C.
Campbell, Marcus	11 May 1833	"
Campbell, Nancy Clark	20 Nov. 1836	"
Campbell, Edwin Eliza	12 Jan. 1839	"
Nov. 6		
Taylor, Ann Roberta	18 Oct. 1837	Dr. E.T. & H.S.
Taylor, Harriet Susan	16 Apr. 1840	"
Nov. 8		
Heine, Susan Isabella	3 May 1840	A.L. & D.
Allen, Emma Elizabeth	20 July 1840	L.C. & M.L.
Nov. 29		
Wells, Elbert Lewis		Elbert & L.
Dec. 2		
Ward, Raphael Shorter	16 Jan. 1839	Chas. & Cath.
1841		
Apr. 11		
Allen, Mr. Lewis C.	Adult	
Apr. 18		
Affleck, Euphermia	5 Nov. 1840	Jno. & M.A.
Matthews, Fred. Richard	29 Dec. 1840	Henry & A.
Ward, Elizabeth Cairns	13 Nov. 1840	John & Eunice
Apr. 25		
Peabody, Emma Francis		C.A. & F.W.
Yonge, Roberta H. Harrison	15 Feb. 1841	Wm.P. & L.A.
June 6		
Bonner, Leonora Huguenin	30 June 1840	S.R. & M.A.
June 17		
Weirus, Harriet Eugenia	13 July 1833	Dr. Walter & Isabella
Weirus, Walter Hanson	15 July 1835	"
Weirus, Edward Lock	7 Jan. 1837	"
Weirus, Samuel Barnett	7 Oct. 1838	"
1841		
June 17		
Weirus, James Mortimer	20 Feb. 1841	Dr. Walter & Isabella
		E. Weems
Henings, Mary Eleanor		Mr. Henings
Henings, Sarah Ascom		"
Henings, Wralthy A. Rebecca		"
Henings, Warren Wesley		"
Charles	Adult	Servants of Maj. E.B.
Mingo	"	Fishburne have been

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Henry	"	duly prepared for the
Stepney	"	Holy Sacrament of
Sambo	"	Baptism by careful
Isabella	"	instruction of a
Rose, Sr.	"	prior mistress who
Rose, Jr.	"	presented them for that
Nel	"	solemn Rite and stood as
Lewis	Child	their witness
Douglass	"	agreeably to the most
Nel	"	wise requisitions of
		the church.
June 18		
Starr, Francis Ruse		Ed. & Elvira
Aug. 1		
Campbell, Archibald Rowland	8 May 1841	Col. J.W. & A.W.C.
Nov. 16		
Spencer, Lambert Wickes	10 Oct. 1841	Dr. L.W. & H.M.
1842		
Mar. 18		
Kyle, John Hunter	2 Apr. 1838	Jos. & Eliz.
May 5		
Wells, Affa Maria	Adult	
Yonge, Laura Jane		
Hunt, Ella Cordelia		Dr. A. & Mrs. E.D.
DeGraffenried, Thomas Scott		Dr. E.L. & Mrs. M.
Wells, Lewis Gray	17 June 1841	Lewis & Affa M.
June 5		
Prince	Adult	Servts. of Maj. Ed. B.
Rebecca	"	Sampson Fishburne of
Lucretia	"	Russell Co. AL
July 19		
Kyle, Sarah Jones		Jos. & Eliz.
Sept. 10		
Hodges, Adelaide Lavenia	17 July 1841	Henry & L.M.
Wells, Julia Louisa	25 May 1842	Benj. & Louisa
Sept. 28		
Thompson, Martha Jane	10 Dec. 1839	Jos. & C.
Sept. 28		
Dill, Henry Harrison	3 Sept. 1840	Aug. A. & S.L.
Oct. 23		
Johnson, George Jefferson	6 July 1842	Dan. & Rebecca
Oct. 30		
Wise, John	15 Aug. 1841	Chas. & L.
Nov. 6		
Davis, Washington Smith	17 May 1842	Jno. E. & Sarah
Nov. 27		
Walker, George Lovell	24 Aug. 1842	Geo. A. & M.A.
Dec. 18		

TRINITY PARISH

Peabody, Ruth Isabella	1842	J.B. & E.A.
1843		
Apr. 2		
Young, Elizabeth Hodges	17 Nov. 1841	Hiram & A.
McLester, Margaret Angelina	3 Sept. 1842	Nelson & P.
Apr. 14		
Carter, Robert Elliot	4 Dec. 1842	Robt. & Eve P.
Ruse, Francis Deblois	27 Dec. 1842	Frank N. & M.F.
Robert(col.)	Child	Maj. T.M. Nelson
May 21		
Bonner, Leila Burchett	12 Dec. 1841	S.R. & M.A.
Pruden, Anna Elizabeth	29 Oct. 1842	Jos. S. & A.J.S.
May 28		
Young, Frances Whitney	25 Mar. 1840	Jno. C. & Sarah A.
Young, Edward Channing	27 Aug. 1842	"
Aug. 10		
Gray, James Vivian	12 Apr. 1842	
Sept. 4		
Peabody, Charlotte Jane	29 July 1843	C.A. & F.W.
Sept. 10		
March(col.)	Infant	Maj. Fishburne
Dickie(col.)	"	"
Miley(col.)	"	"
Chance(col.)	"	"
Oct. 22		
Kyle, Elizabeth Pamela	1 Aug. 1839	Jos. & Eliz.
Sherwood, George Conklin	9 Apr. 1843	Geo. C. & M.W.
Murdock, Mary Bridges	11 July 1843	Robt. B. & L.
Oct. 31		
Geo. Washington(col.)	Infant	N. McLester
Nov. 12		
Affleck, Elizabeth Jane	27 Dec. 1842	Jno. & M.A.
Wise, Elizabeth Catharine	9 Sept. 1843	Chas. & L.
1844		
Mar. 3		
Davis, Frances Anne	2 Oct. 1843	John E. & Sarah
Mar. 12		
Venus	Adult	Maj. Fishburne
Charles	Infant	"
Sophy	Infant	"
Mar. 31		
Forsyth, Charles Meigs	27 Apr. 1836	John & Margaret
Forsyth, John	27 Jan. 1835	"
Jesse		Mrs. C. Forsyth
Lizzie		"
Apr. 7		

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Hunt, Elisa Davis	Adult	
Ruse, Mary Florida	Adult	
Apr. 8		
Green, Thos. Tileston		Jos. B. & Eliza
Campbell, Douglas McQueen		J.W. & A.W.C.
Mary		N. McLester
Apr. 28		
Cromwell, Oliver	3 Aug. 1837	Worham & Louisiana J.C.
Cromwell, Sarah Johnson	2 Oct. 1842	"
Spencer, Louisa Harrison	5 Jan. 1844	R.P. & L.J.
May 3		
Ornsby, Mary Elizabeth	3 Jan. 1835	Mrs. C.T.
Ann Eliz.		Mrs. Ornsby
Nov. 17		
Hargraves, Clara Forsyth	1844	Geo. & Vir.
Nov. 24		
Hopson, Lucien	Adult	
Dec. 10		
Lipetre, Simon, Andrew, Josephine, Robert,	34 Cold. Children	
Harriet, Iverson, Jacob, Turner, Clarinda,		Property of Mrs. Mary
Harrison, George, Jefferson, Anderson,		Barnes of Russell Co.,
Sivia, Edward, Mason, Lucy, Lewis, Bran,		AL. Presented by Miss
Frank, Emily, Horace, Selina, Patsy,		Elizabeth Barnes.
Joseph, Betsy, Matilda, Irene, Henrietta,		
Maria, Brister, Rose and Henry		
1845		
Jan. 9		
Meigs, Charles Stewart		Henry & Henrietta
Feb. 24		
Ruse, Frank Deblois	1844	Frank & M.F.
Starr, Homer Hurd	1844	Edw. & Elvira
Ruse, Anne	1844	Jno. & Ad.
May 15		
Peabody, Elbert Wells	6 Apr. 1845	C.A. & F.W.
Sarah (col.)	Child	C.A. Wells
May 17		
Carter, Anne Page	2 Mar. 1845	Robert & Evelyn
Henry (col.)	Child	Maj. Nelson
June 1		
Schley, Temnla Walker	Adult	
June 15		
Wells, Clara Elizabeth	11 Oct. 1844	Ben. & Louisa
Oct. 27		
Wadsworth, Mary Jane(col.)		Jane
Nov. 14		
Frank (col.)	Infant	Mrs. Ornsby
1846		

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Jan. 18		
Peabody, Mary Louisa Clinton	_____1845	J.B. & E.A.
Feb. 24		
Foster, Julia		Col. J.J. & E.A.
Foster, Thos. Gardner		"
Feb. 25		
Crandall, Caroline	Adult	
Green, Eliza Elliott	Adult	
Daniels, Elisha	12 yrs.	Son of strangers
Cromwell, Josephine Celestine		W. & L.J.C.
Affleck, James Moody		Jno. & M.A.
May 7		
Starr, Edward W.	Adult	
May 21		
Charlotte, Nancy, Munson,		13 Cold. Children
Lewis, Reuben, Alexander,		Prop. of Miss E. Barnes,
Amy, Georgiana, Esther,		Russell Co. AL
Willis, Fanny, Betsy, Celia		
May 22		
Harry (col.)	Adult	Mr. Ralph Howard
Campbell, Rebecca Frances	2 Feb. 1846	Jno. & A.W.C.
May 24		
Mary Missouri, Clara,		4 Cold. Children
Alonso and Oscar		Col. John W. Campbell
		Russell Co. AL
Harry and Phillis		2 Cold. Children
		Maj. Fishburne
May 24		
Peggy (col.)	Adult	Miss E. Barnes
Apr. 6		
Meigs, Henry Vincent	Adult	
Meigs, Mary Montgomery (twin)		Henry V. & H.
Meigs, Henrietta Hargraves (twin)		"
Wells, Florence Augusta		Lewis W. & A.M.
Apr. 10		
Sherwood, Anna Spencer		Geo. C. & M.W.
May 24		
Murdock, Robert Bridges		R.B. & L.
July 1		
Johnson, Mary Catherine	1846	Dan. & R.
Aug. 23		
Bernreuter, Henry	1846	Mr. Bernreuter
Wise, Charles Johnson	1846	Chas. & S.
Allen, George Hanford	1846	S.C. & M.S.
Oct. 4		
Pruden, Joseph Gardner		Jos. S. & A.S.J.
Nov. 8		
Ruse, Mary Adella		Jno. C. & Ad.
Dec. 27		
Philip (col.)	4 mos.	Mrs. Jno. E. Davis

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Jan. 24		
Rosana Israel (col.)	Infant	
Jan. 29		
Foster, William Joseph		Col. J.F. & E.
Mar. 14		
Schaefer, Margaret Petrea	21 May 1846	Fred & M.C.
Apr. 11		
Foster, Sarah	Adult	
Foster, Sarah Nevers		Whitby & S.
Foster, Mary Elizabeth		"
Apr. 21		
Bugbee, Mary Jane	Adult	
Bugbee, Inez Ida	20 July 1843	Ira D. & M.J.
May 23		
Woolfolk, Thomas Nelson	___ Mar. 1847	W. & M.B.
Nancy Scott (col.)	Infant	Maj. T.M. Nelson
Aug. 15		
Rogers, Caroline Anne		Chas. & C.M.
Rogers, Helen		"
Sept. 12		
Peabody, John Ward	___ 1847	J.B. & E.A.
Oct. 31		
Cromwell, Henry Andrew Heins	1847	W. & L.J.C.
Meigs, Theophilus Stewart		H.V. & H.N.
Nov. 14		
Hunt, Archibald Anderson	Adult	

1848

Feb. 19		
Bennett, Archibald Todd	23 Aug. 1840	Arch. Todd & Louisa
Bennett, Pickens Calhoun	5 Feb. 1846	"
Bennett, Albert Valentine	21 July 1847	"
Feb. 20		
Raney, James Abernathy	25 Feb. 1847	David G. & Harriet
Connery, Charles Pertland	4 Apr. 1847	C.H. & L.L.
Kain, William Archibald	27 Oct. 1847	Patrick C. & Mary A.
Green, Henry Duncon	2 Dec. 1847	Charles A. & Margaret
Mar. 31		
Barron, Mrs. Eleanor	Adult	
Apr. 2		
John (col.)	Infant	Mr. H.V. Meigs
Watkins, William Henry	Infant	Mr. Wm. H.
May 4		
Arabella (col.)	Child	Dr. A.A. Hunt
May 7		
Pruden, William Edgar		Jos. S. & A.J.S.
Wise, William Belford		Chas. & L.

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Murdock, Anna Spencer	1847	Robt. B. & L.
Deblois, Thomas Amory		Jno. A. & E.J.
May 14		
Davis, Ereka Calvin	Adult	
deGraffenried, Martha Ermine		E.L. & M.
deGraffenried, Mary Susan		"
May 24		
Ned (a coloured man, Adult. In prison condemned to death. Executed May 26)		
June 16		
Fontaine, Theoph Stewart		Jno. & Mary
Fontaine, Francis		"
Fontaine, James		"
Eliza (col.)	Infant	"
July 3		
Wells, Emma Louisa		Lewis W. & A.M.
July 9		
Berry, Mary Elizabeth		Benj. A. & A.M.
July 30		
Ward, Ella Louisa		Jno. & Ernia
Oct. 15		
Carter, William Nelson	25 Jan. 1848	Robt. & Evelyn
Nov. 5		
Mildred Theodosia	Adult	
Malone, Mary Louisa	Adult	
Speir, Mary Ann	Adult	
Peabody, Pocahuntas Agusta	12 July 1846	Aug. & M.J.
McLaren, Edwin Hull		Peter & Lucy
Dec. 4		
Spencer, Richard Perry	1845	R.P. & L.J.
Spencer, William	1848	"
Frances Maria (col.)	10 yrs.	R.P. & L.J. Spencer
Amanda (col.)	8 yrs.	"
Jas. K. Polk (col.)	4 yrs.	"
1849		
Feb. 25		
Ruse, Angela Deblois		Jno. C. & Adel.
Meigs, Henry Vincent		H.V. & H.N.
Feb. 28		
Ann	Adult	
Pomroy, Mary Northrop	Adult	
Hall, Jane Catharine	Adult	
Mar. 4		
Randolph, Julia Fitz		
Smith, Jane		
Godwin, Sarah Ashhurst		John & Ann
Godwin, Thos. Metternick		"
Godwin, Susan Albertha		"
Pomroy, Jane Eliza		Chancey & M.

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Mar. 11		
Hall, Mary Pomroy		Harvey & Jane Cath. Hall,
Anna Louisa		"
Hall, Charles Moses		"
Hall, Lucy Cairns		"
May 14		
Peabody, Lucy Adeline		C.A. & F.W.
Peabody, Douglass Cairns		"
Rose (col.)		C.A. & F.W. Peabody
Mar. 15		
Davis, William Henry		L.J. & H.
Mar. 18		
Ticknor, Henry Mandnite	13 Nov	F.O. & R.N.
May 6		
Hooper, William Henry Beatty		Geo. D. & Car.
Davis, Augustus Eyres		Jno. E. & Sarah
Robinson, Calvin (col.)		Jno. E. Davis
May 13		
Peabody, Cally Boadicea		Jno. B. & E.A.
Oct. 28		
Woolfolk, William Evelyn	Mar. 1849	Wm. & M.B.
Nov. 11		
Starr, Julia Ann	1849	Edw. & Elvira
Dec. 25		
Johnson, William Augustus		Mrs. Dan.
1850		
Jan. 13		
Hall, George Ives		Harvey & Jane Cath. Hall,
William Fitzgerald		"
Hall, Henry Harrison		"
Mar. 11		
Walker, Woolfolk		Gen. & Mrs. Cornelia
Walker, Louisa Bethia		"
Walker, Edward Cornelia		"
Walker, Joseph Herbert		"
Apr. 11		
Jones, Samuel Goode		Saml. G. & M.W.
Apr. 14		
Harden, Ellen Jane	Adult	
Apr. 21		
Wise, James		Chas. & S.
June 7		
Jane	6 yrs.	At orphan asylum
June 23		
Hall, Sarah Montague	1850	Harvey & Jane
Aug. 4		
Brice, Arthur Tilman	6 mos.	R.T. & Julia
Sept. 8		

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Walker, Mrs. Margaret C.		Col. Woolfork
Woolfork, Mr. William Gray		
Walker, Margaret Cornelia	1850	Mrs. M.C.
Ticknor, Lucy Evelyn	1850	Dr. F.O. & Rosalie
Sept. 12		
Peabody, Edward	26 Dec. 1849	Chas. & _____
Rhoda (col.)	Infant	Chas. Peabody
Oct. 1		
Margaret (col.)	Infant	Robt. B. Murdock
Nov. 17		
Lowther, Mary Ann	6 mos. 1850	Alex. & Mary
Dec. 18		
Moxham, Mary Ann	_____ 1848	John & Mary
Moxham, John Niell	Jan. 1850	"
1851		
Jan. 12		
Ella Dora (col.)	8 mos.	Clarissa, servant of J.E. Davis
Mar. 9		
Edwin (col.)		Caroline, mother
William Thomas (col.)		Mary, grandmother, Servants of Maj. Nelson
Mar. 12		
Beckwith, Mary	Adult	
May 9		
Farley, James Alfred	Adult	
Farley, Sarah Elizabeth	Adult	
Farley, Mary Eliza Lenora		J.A. & S.E.
Ward, John Henry		John & E.R.
May 15		
Deblois, John Edward		John A. & E.J.
Ruse, John Francis		John C. & A.
Smith, Margaret Hankson		Jno. & Isabella
Griffin, Gerald		Daniel & Mary
Spencer, Laura Yonge		R. & L.
May 25		
Gronbeck, Thomas Andars		B.T. & F.
June 15		
Fontaine, George Hargraves		Jno. & Mary
June 29		
Meigs, Elizabeth Barnes		H.V. & H.
Aug. 10		
Pruden, John Frederick		J.S. & A.J.S.
Sept. 28		
Wise, Whilby Foster		Charles & S.
Mauritzen, Henry Christian		H.C. & B.
Dec. 13		

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Davis, Frederick Lewis Dec. 14	Adult	
Aubrey, George Dec. 28		W.P. & R.M.
Francis (col.)	Child	P. McLaren
Wesley (col.)	Child	"
Julia (col.)	Child	"
Dec. 30		
Ella (col.)		H. Hall
1852		
Jan. 23		
Cushman, Geo. Henry Feb. 29		Miss Matthews
Lowther, Alexander Allen	Adult	
Dolly (col.)	12 yrs.	Mr. Hargraves
Lizzie (col.)	10 yrs.	"
Robert (col.)	6 yrs.	"
Maria (col.)	Child	Mr. A.N. Lowther
Josephine (col.)	Child	"
Apr. 29		
Ella (col.)	Child	Mr. Chas. A. Peabody
Irwin (col.)	Child	"
Mary (col.)	Child	"
May 21		
Little, Elizabeth	Adult	
May 23		
Forsyth, Robert Brewer		R.C. & J.
Woolfolk, John Collier		W.G. & M.B.
Aug. 29		
Gronbeck, George Washington		B.T. & F.
Sept. 20		
Murdock, Samuel Spencer		R.B. & L.
Spencer, Samuel		L. & V.
Davis, Mary Elizabeth		J.E. & S.C.
Oct. 21		
Ticknor, Douglas Cairns		Dr. F.O. & R.
1853		
Jan. 12		
Morehead, Henry Harrison		William & Judith
Morehead, Thomas Edward		"
Morehead, William Walter		"
Morehead, Nancy Eleanor		"
Barker, Josephine		Savannah
Childers, Sarah		Edmund & Rebecca
Childers, Mary		"
Childers, Maria		"

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Wynn, Eliza
Wynn, William
Fowler, Charity
Fowler, Milly
Fowler, Rebecca
Fowler, John
Moore, Adeline
Moore, Caroline
Mason, Nancy
Mason, Caroline
Mesks, Nancy
Smith, Josephine
Owens, Mary
Williams, Jane
Williams, Martha Frances
Willis, Sarah Jane
Willis, Betsy
Newberry, William
Owens, Thomas
Pigott, Lucy
Pigott, Mary Frances
Day, Isabella
Hooker, Mary Jane

Mrs. Lucinda
"
Jesse & Lucinda
"
"
"
James & Nancy
"
James & Mary
"
William & Sarah
Susannah
Lester & Lucinda
Isaac & Martha
"
John & Meleachy
"
C. & R.
Elbert & Sarah
William & Betsy
"

"This list of Baptisms dated Jan. 12 are all children of the Parish School, and are presented for baptism by Mrs. Lucy E. Cairns, the head of the school, and Mrs. Elizabeth Peabody, the regular Teacher."

Mar. 27
Mauritzen, Mary Augusta
Berry, Alfred
Meigs, Montgomery
Apr. 7
Appleby, James Key
Appleby, Martha Susan
Appleby, John Scott
Apr. 24
Love, Caroline Louisa
Mustian, Georgia Caroline
Apr. 26
Mulford, Randolph Mustian
Mulford, Harriet
Wise, Sarah Louisa
Jones, John Paul
Jones, Lucy Elizabeth
Jones, Mary Florence
Jones, Harriet Emeline
Griffin, Mary Teresa
Stains, Mary Frances
Wadsworth, Edward
Wadsworth, Walter

Adult
Adult

H.C. & B.
Benj. & Almira
H.V. & H.N.
John & Virginia
"
"
D. & L.
"
Charles & Sarah
W.R. & E.
"
"
D. & M.E.
William & M.E.
"

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Love, Anna Caroline
 Love, James Calhoun
 Appleby, Mary Virginia
 Apr. 29
 Louisa (col.)
 June 1
 Ruse, Emily Hall
 Starr, Edward Deblois
 July 19
 Laney, Sam Vernon
 Leinas (col.)
 Jane (col.)
 Albert (col.)
 Aug. 2
 Aleck (col.)
 Aug. 3
 Gesiur, William Henry
 Nov. 23
 Mauritzen, William Douglass
 Mauritzen, James Thomas
 Nov. 24
 Deblois, Nathaniel James

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Apr. 2
 Woolfolk, Jos. W.
 Woolfolk, Lucy M.
 Apr. 23
 Woolfolk, John Winter
 Woolfolk, Lucinda Margaret
 Woolfolk, Eliza Johnjeline
 Douglas Cairns (col.)
 May 7
 Woolfolk, Edward Greenwood
 Woolfolk, Joseph Washington
 Aug. 27
 Lowther, Julia Brice
 Hill, Mary Ann (col.)
 Sept. 5
 Clarissa (col.)
 Sept. 10
 Johnson, Louisa Jane
 Sept. 10
 Groenbeck, Fanny Bautrier
 Little, Malvina Adeline
 Hooper, John Debernieri
 Lizette (col.)
 Cloe (col.)
 Frank (col.)

Adult
 Adult

22 Aug. 1845
 31 Mar. 1849
 2 Apr. 1853
 Infant

Infant
 Infant

Child

Child

Child

Child

Child

Child

Child

Child

James E. & Caroline

"

J. & V.J.

P. McLaren

J.C. & A.

Ed. & Elvira

S.D. & M.A.M.

S.D. Laney

"

"

C.A. Peabody

W. & _____

H.C. & B.

"

J.A. & E.

J.W. & L.M.

"

"

Edward & Lettie

J.W. & L.M.

W.G. & M.

Alex. A. & Mary

Dr. Billings

The Rev. Mr. Laney

Mr. ___ & Mrs. Ann A.

Mrs. Fanny

Mrs. Elizabeth

Geo. D. & Car.

George D. Hooper

"

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Judge (col.)	Child	"
Sept. 17		
Mitchell, Miss Adeline Leonora	Adult	
Spencer, Mrs. Vernona	Adult	
Mitchell, Miss Sarah Ann	Adult	
Mozart, Miss Martha Elizabeth	Adult	
Browne, Mrs. Mary	Adult	
Sept. 24		
Fanny (col.)	Child	Mr. Davis
Freeman (col.)	Child	Mr. Wiley Adams
Henry Clinton (col.)	Child	"
Oct. 1		
Bacon, Mrs. Jane Eliza	Adult	
Bacon, Robert Alston	Child	Dr. & Jane E.
Bacon, James Abercrombie	Child	"
Vandenberg, Theodore Henry	Child	Mr. T.
Vandenberg, Girhart Charles	Child	"
Vandenberg, Virginia Annette	Child	"
Vandenberg, Laura Alberta	Child	"
Vandenberg, Josephine Harriet	Child	"
Henderson, Mary	Child	Mrs. Henderson
Henderson, Thomas Evans	Child	"
Henderson, Walter Colquit	Child	"
Oct. 1		
Reese, Sarah		Mrs. Ann
Cooper, Virginia		Mrs. Cooper
Mitchell, Caroline Smith	Child	Mr. ___ Mitchell
Martin, Espreann	Child	Wm. B. & Grisilla
Martin, William Allen	Child	"
Martin, Joseph John	Child	"
Martin, Martha Hill	Child	"
Martin, Mary	Child	"
Shotwell, Miss Elizabeth G.	Adult	
Bowen, John	Child	James & Mary
Bowen, Elizabeth	Child	"
Williams, John	Child	Isaac & Martha
Oct. 25		
Crews, Mary Ann	Child	Elbert & Sarah
Lewis, Amelia	Child	Stephen & Martha
Lewis, Louisa	Child	"
Lewis, John	Child	"
Wells, Lucy Emily	Child	Lewis W. & A.M.G.
Nov. 12		
Hill, Mary Constance	2 1/2 yrs.	Dr. ___ Hill
Nov. 14		
Nancy (col.)	5 1/2 yrs.	Dr. Ticknor
Abraham (col.)	3 1/2 yrs.	"
Mary (col.)	2 1/2 yrs.	Dr. Ticknor
Ellen (col.)	2 1/2 yrs.	"
Lucy Caroline (col.)	2 yrs. 4 mos.	"

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Dec. 13		
Forsyth, John	4 mos.	John & Julia
1855		
Jan. 4		
Sally (col.)	4 yrs.	Mrs. Nelson
Judy (col.)	4 yrs.	"
Nancy (col.)	2 yrs.	"
Spencer (col.)	1 yr.	"
Mary Ann (col.)	3 mos.	"
Jan 12		
Shotwell, _____	50 yrs.	
Jan. 14		
Hall, Sophia	3 yrs.	Harvey & Mrs.
Hall, Julia Brice	2 mos.	"
Browne, Henry	4 yrs.	H. R. & Mary
Meigs, Emily	5 mos.	H. V. & H.
Hull, Herbert Ladson		Mr. & Mrs. I.
Mar. 25		
Ticknor, George William	5 mos.	Dr. F. & Rosa
Nov. 25		
Church, George Hervey	3 mos.	Moses H. & Caroline
1856		
Feb. 3		
Warner, Frederick Branch	3 mos.	Lemuel P. & Charlotte Feb.
6		
Browne, John Rhodes	Adult	
Mar. 20		
Benjamin (col.)	7 yrs.	Mrs. L.A. McLaren
Cilla (col.)	4 yrs.	"
Lucy Elizabeth (col.)	5 mos.	"
Mar. 25		
Smith, William Capers	6 yrs.	(Charity School)
Brown, Calvin	8 yrs.	"
Antages, Robert	9 yrs.	"
Antages, Thomas	7 yrs.	"
Apr. 6		
Mulrion, Julia	40 yrs.	
Hewson, Sarah Charlotte	11 yrs.	Charles & _____
Apr. 20		
Meigs, Annie Forsyth	_____ mos.	Henry & Henrietta
Phelps, Betsy Ann	10 yrs.	Mrs. Barton
Phelps, Rebecca	11 yrs.	"
Phelps, Edmond	6 yrs.	"
Cannon, Samuel	13 yrs.	Mrs. Barton
Cannon, Jacob Josephus	16 yrs.	"
Barton, Lucinda	2 yrs.	"

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Barton, Benjamin	2 yrs.	
B____, Agnes Ann Elizabeth	16 yrs.	
June 4		
Starr, John Amory DuBlois	____ mos.	____ & Elvira
June 8		
Lewis, Pierce	11 yrs.	
Stanford, Charles Theophilus Canty	____ mos.	Dr. & Mrs. M.E.
June 18		
Bailey, Elizabeth Hargraves	Adult	
Bailey, Isabella	Adult	
Bailey, Mary H.	Adult	
June 22		
Barnard, William Edward	8 yrs.	Edward & Lucy I.
Barnard, Kate Mills	6 yrs.	"
Barnard, Sally Grimes	5 yrs.	"
June 25		
Bailey, Henry Conner	9 yrs.	Mrs. Wm.
Bailey, Louisa Wingfield	7 yrs.	"
July 13		
Woolfolk, Rosa Louisa	1 yr.	Wm. & Maria
July 16		
Shipman, Frederick William	2 yrs.	Jno. B. & Elvira
Aug. 12		
Emma (col.)	7 mos.	Harriet, servant of M. Berry
Aug. 18		
Moore, Mary Rutherford	3 yrs.	John B. & Mary
Sept. 5		
Auchbarker, Lucinda Isabella Josephine	5 mos.	Rebecca
Sept. 14		
Bellamy, Mary Lindsay	5 mos.	Wm. & Fanny
Woolfolk, James Joseph	11 mos.	Jos. & Lucy
Oct. 26		
Berry, Benjamin Thomas		____ Berry
Nov. 26		
Lowther, Alice Tanney	____ mos	Alex. & Mary
1857		
Mar. 9		
Flynn, Alice	1 day	
Mar. 13		
White, Daniel	Adult	
Apr. 12		
Clegg, John Frederick	2 yrs.	____ & C.
Apr. 14		
Peabody, Frank Downing	2 yrs.	Charles & ____
Roberts, Robert Ashley	8 yrs.	
May 10		

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Vandenburg, Edwin Birch May 14	Infant	T.H. & —
Isham, Anna Pierrepont May 17	Infant	John & Elizabeth
Stovell, Sarah Brooks	4 yrs.	John & Sarah
Meigs, George Hargraves	Infant	Henry & Henrietta
Forsyth, Virginia Hargraves May 25	Infant	Robert & Julia
Hull, John Morton May 28	Infant	John R. & Mary
Smith, Nicholas Peck June 7	24 yrs.	
Ruse, Henrietta Elizabeth June 11	Infant	John & Adela
Gerner, Harriet Lowena June 24	Infant	William & Harriet
Davis, Alice Georgia	2 yrs.	John E. & Sarah
Davis, Matthew Livingston June 29	2 mos.	"
Wise, Douglas Cairns July 5	Infant	Charles & Sarah
Dillingham, Mary Kate Cairns	Infant	Geo. & Mary
Willis, W. Albert (col.)	Infant	Mrs. Cairns
July 28		
Mitchell, John	Adult	
Sept. —		
Murdock, Lambert Dec. 13	Infant	Robt. & Lydia
Cecilia Virginia Dec. 18	Infant	
Hull, Anna Augusta	Infant	John & Mary
1858		
Jan. 2		
Warner, Lucy Dillingham	Infant	Lemuel & Charlotte
Jan. 6		
Anna Elizabeth	Infant	
Apr. 4		
Ticknor, Maria Nelson	9 mos.	Dr. F. & Rosa
Woolfolk, Arthur Richard	9 mos.	Wm. & Maria
Joseph, Daniel Aguste	Infant	Mr. & Mrs. Joseph
Apr. 18		
Lee, William F.	27 yrs.	
May 2		
Ida (col.)	Infant	Miss Lockhart
Lucy Douglass (col.)	Infant	"
May 23		
Dixon, Daniel McDougal	18 mos.	Robert E. & Mary
Holmes, Lucy	Infant	Edward & Roberta

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Faber, Georgiana	Infant	Edward & Savannah
May 24		
Bailey, Rebecca Frances	Adult	
May 30		
McDonald, John Alexander	Infant	Neel & Elvira
Stovell, Jehi Wm. Davis	Infant	John & Sarah
Smith, Richard Patton	Infant	John & Isabel
June 2		
Martin, Caroline Matilda	Adult	
Tillinghast, Oliver	Infant	Oliver P. & Mary Jane
Tillinghast, Emily	Infant	"
Tillinghast, Eliza Nowell	Infant	"
Tillinghast, John Taylor	Infant	"
Thomas, Sarah Virginia	Infant	Elizabeth
Thomas, Ophelia	Infant	"
June 3		
Creighton, Charles Berry	Infant	Charles & ____
June 4		
Fox, Irmine Arthur	Adult	
June 6		
Eliza Ann (col.)	Infant	Robert Murdock
Willis (col.)	Infant	"
June 7		
Dyle, Elizabeth Lee	Adult	
Dibble, Louisa Marian	Adult	
Barnard, Mary Elizabeth	Adult	
June 9		
Sailor, Tom	Infant	Geo. K. & Margaret
June 11		
Sap, Emma Drusilla	Adult	
June 13		
Woolfolk, Louisa Cornelia	Infant	Jos. & Lucy
Fanny (col.)	Infant	Peter McLaren
June 27		
Hooper, Caroline Eliza Alice	Infant	Geo. & Caroline
June 29		
Hartman, Savannah Ann	Adult	
Creemer, Richard McRite	Adult	
Hartman, Isabella Rowan	Child	S.A.
July 2		
Nelson (col.)	Infant	Peter McLaren
July 21		
Forsyth, Angela	Infant	Robt. & Julia
Aug. 1		
Tom (col.)	Child	Worsham Cromwell,
		Esq.
Frances (col.)	Child	"
James K. Polk (col.)	Child	"
Nancy (col.)	Child	"
Amelia (col.)	Child	"

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Gilford, Caroline	Adult	
Creemer, John McRite	Child	Mrs. Creemer
Berry, Anna Almira	Infant	Benj. & Almira
Oct. 4		
Myers, Frances Charlotte	Infant	Lewis & Eliz.
Oct. 13		
Creemer, William Edward	Infant	Jane
Oct. 24		
Barney (col.)	Infant	Henry V. Meigs
Nov. 14		
Roberts, Anna Fizzler	3 yrs.	Jos. & Eliza
1859		
Jan. ____		
Smith, John	Adult	
Apr. 17		
Reuben Frederick (col.)	Infant	Jno. E. Davis
Apr. 24		
Tillinghurst, Caroline Chapman	Infant	Oliver & ____
Mar. ____		
Chapel, Rebecca Dolley	Adult	Abraham & ____
May 15		
Flynn, Gertrude Lizzie	Infant	Fred. Wm. & Eliza
May 20		
Dixon, Robert Emmet	Infant	Robert & Mary
May 22		
Meigs, Virginia Hargraves	Infant	Henry V. & Henrietta
June 12		
Crichton, David Charles	Infant	Charles & Frances
June 17		
Pruden, Mary Loula Scranton	Infant	Joseph & Eliz.
Simmons, Letitia	Adult	
June 26		
Wise, Mary Frances	Infant	Charles & Elizabeth
July 8		
Matthews, Mary Ann	Infant	Allen & Mary
Bevans, Eliza	Infant	James & Fanny
Sept. ____		
Warner, Ella Douglass	Infant	Lemuel & Charlotte
Faber, Edward Sinclair	Infant	Edward & Savannah
Sept. 25		
Berry, Macon O'Neal	Infant	Benj. & Almira
Nov. 24		
Holmes, Carrie Williford	Infant	Edward & Roberta
Griffin, Anna Helena	Infant	Daniel & Mary
Nov. 27		
McDonald, John Baron	Infant	James & Henrietta
1860		

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Feb. ____		
Davis, Julia Mustian	Infant	John & Georgia
Mar. ____		
Sailor, George	Infant	George K. & Mary
Apr. 8		
Thompson, Mrs. Ann Helen	Adult	
Apr. 15		
Murdock, Arthur Culpepper	Infant	Robert & Lydia
July 2		
Collins, Samuel Edward	Child	Mrs. Collins
Collins, Henrietta	Child	"
Nov. 28		
Cowdry, Almarine	Child	Cowdry
Cowdry Sarah Perry	Child	"
Dec 1		
Martin, Benjamin Yancy	Adult	
Feb. ____		
William Henry (col.)	Infant	Clara Hargraves
Tillinghast, Mary Laura	Infant	Oliver & ____
March 31		
Woolfolk, Eliza Maria	Infant	Joseph & Lucy
Griffin, Daniel	Infant	Daniel & Mary
Meigs, Stewart	Infant	Henry & Henrietta
Hall, Mary Pomroy	Infant	George & Eugenia
Hull, Edmund Earnest	Infant	John & Mary
Crichton, Mary Elizabeth	Infant	Charles & ____
1861		
May 19		
Aubrey, Henry Meigs	6 mos.	Wm. & Rosa
Lowther, Alexander Allen	9 mos.	Alex. & Mary
June 3		
Cox, David Porter	4 mos.	Jerry & Leila
Aug. 25		
Barnard, Edward Oscar	Infant	Thomas & Louisa
Oct. 6		
Tillinghast, Catharine	Infant	Charles & ____
Curtis, Elizabeth	2 Aug 1859	Norris & Sarah
Curtis, George Morton	Infant	"
Oct. 16		
Hill, Henry Kirke	Adult	
Oct. 20		
Chaffin, Helen Dorcas	Adult	
Kelsey, Letitia	Adult	
Mary Jane	Adult	
Nov. 12		
Charles (col.)	Infant	Lucy, servant of R. Murdock
Edwin (col.)	Infant	"

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Dec. 29

Walker, Richard Page
Franklin, John Wm.

4 yrs.
3 yrs.

Rich. W. & Eliza
John & Eliza

1862

Jan. 4

Thom., David Franklin
Dixon, Bakie Adele

40 yrs.
Infant

Robt. Emmet & Mary

Feb. 20

Peabody, Wm. Manning
Peabody, Cora Lee

Infant
Infant

Charles Wm. & Frances
"

May 7

Marpon, Charlotte (col.)

Infant

The Rev. S. D. Laney

May 16

Matthews, William Henry

Infant

Allen & Mary

June 20

Seabrook, Edward Marion

Infant

June 30

Davis, Edmund

Adult

(Soldier's Home, very
ill.)

Sept. 7

Warner, Harry Huntingdom

Infant

Lemuel & Charlotte

Sept. 9

Jamison, John

13 yrs.

Nancy Ann

Jamison, Mary

11 yrs.

"

Jamison, Sarah

10 yrs.

"

Jamison, Nancy

8 yrs.

"

Jamison, James

5 yrs.

"

Loyd, William Edward

Child

William & Ann

Loyd, Benjamin Johnson

Child

"

Loyd, Ida Louise

Child

"

Loyd, John Franklin

Child

"

Loyd, India

Child

"

Oct. 10

Woolfolk, William Gray

Child

Jos. & Lucy

Nov. 2

Meyers, Leona Elizabeth

Infant

Louis & Elizabeth

Hall, Kate Ives

Infant

George & _____

Nov. 16

Tignor, Thomas Shelly

Infant

Dr. F. & Rosa

Dec. 2

May, Josephine

Infant

Joseph & Florida

Dec. 9

Ramtin, Mary Gibbs

Infant

Thos. H. & Mary

*Past, Present, and Future:
Trinity Episcopal Church
Columbus, Georgia, 1834-1878*

by
Steve Stinson

THE PAST

Trinity Episcopal Church was founded in 1834, as the result of a meeting of interested people wanting an Episcopal Church in Columbus. The early city survey had not included a lot for an Episcopal Church in its plan, so the local folk had to provide. A meeting was held at the home of Dr. E.L. deGraffenried, a prominent citizen and later city commissioner, on August 17, 1834. The following letter appeared in the *Columbus Weekly Enquirer*, dated August 23, 1834:

To the Editors: Gentlemen--you will confer a favor on many citizens of Columbus by giving the following an insertion in your paper. Agreeable to previous notice a number of Gentlemen met at the residence of Dr. E.L. deGraffenried in this place on the evening of the 17th August to ascertain if there were a sufficient number of persons in the place in favour of the establishment of an Episcopal Church in this place, to attempt with some hope of success to form a society, and to erect a building for the use of the Episcopal denomination. After organizing, the meeting by calling L.C. Allen to the Chair and appointing J.W. Woodland, Secretary, they proceeded to form a society, to be styled the Columbus Episcopal Association.

This is the first attempt that has been made and the number of highly respectable Gentlemen that attended the meeting, and who are both willing and anxious to give every assistance in their power, was far greater than anyone had anticipated. Many whose assistance and hearty concurrence in this laudable enterprise may be relied upon, are now absent, it being a season of the year when business or pleasure carries at least two thirds of those from the place to whom we may look for assistance.

We wish you to give publicity to this with the hope that it may catch the eye of those persons who, though willing to give every assistance in their power, have stood back waiting for some other person to commence a work, which It is singular has not been attempted sooner. There are at this time three churches in this place in a flourishing condition, and it was remarked by one gentleman present that there were more persons present at the first meeting of this society than the other three churches had at their commencement, collectively--this shews(sic) that a little exertion on the part of those in favour of this object is only wanted to insure as complete success."¹

So with an Episcopal Association in effect, the prospects for a local church was in the making. The November 22, 1834 *Columbus Weekly Enquirer* carried the following item in the column listed "Legislature": "A bill has been introduced by Mr. Wynn to incorporate the Protestant Church in Columbus." With that, Trinity Episcopal was born.

The Episcopal Association purchased Lot 169 as the site of its church, located where the parking garage is today on the corner of 11th Street and 1st Avenue. The first structure was completed in 1837 and services were begun on June 4. The A.C. Smith Collection in the Columbus College Archives incorrectly lists the building as being finished in 1840. The present church structure was erected across the street from the original building and completed in 1890. It is a beautiful structure built of red brick in the Tudor Gothic style. The Parish House addition was added during 1925-26. Modernized offices were built in 1962 and they adjoin the Parish House. Today Trinity is home for almost eight hundred members.

Early Members

The early members of Trinity were few in number. The Official Parish communicant Register lists twenty-three families as the only communicant members. The following were listed: (families) Ticknor, Dillingham, Cooledge, Mathews, Peabody, Wells, Thomas, Smith, Gordon, Alsop, Weems, Allen, Young, Weyman, Tillinghurst, Fishburne, Murdoch, Wise, Ward, Wayland, deGraffenried, Taylor, Kirkland, and Ormsby. Ironically, in 1836 Wardens and Vestrymen were elected from the following families, yet do not appear in the register: Lloyd, Rhind, Wells, David, and Urquhart. Oddities also included that in January of 1849, Mr. Peabody had chosen not to commune (come to church) and withdrew his membership. Of this first families list, one family member, Mr. Ticknor, was ordained to the Priesthood on May 26, 1848, and was Assistant Rector at Trinity from 1849-50.

By 1873 the church reported a membership of two hundred parishioners, which incidently included fourteen blacks to reach the two hundred plateau. The Communicant Register lists several slave baptisms, but does not include actual members.

The Communicant Register offers the casual reader some interesting stories to muse over. Under the "Burials" section of the Register, there is a listing of the Honorable George H. Waddell of Crawford, Alabama, as being killed in the capture of Columbus on April 17, 1865. Also there is listed an Evans Jones of Apalachicola, Florida, who evidently was wounded, but later died on April 24, 1865. Waddell was married into the Wynn family which was prominent in the early formation of the Episcopal Association. He had married Celestia Wynn on April 13, 1854, oddly enough by a Presbyterian minister from Florida, Reverend W.D. Harlow. Other listings around this period include the death of Dr. deGraffenried on December 9, 1871 at his residence, which was located on the site of present-day Trinity Church. He was 73.

Interesting also are the baptisms and marriages section of the Register. The first baptism was on February 8, 1835 performed by E.L. Christian, the honor being bestowed upon a Lewis Cooley. Negro children were often baptized in great numbers and are simply listed as John, property of Joe Smith, or Lucy, property of Bill Jones. One baptism listed was of Elijah Daniels, 12 years old, son of "strangers." Mrs. Cairnes, wife of the Rector witnessed the event. Evidently the Daniels name of the child was the last name of his owners. Early listings are predominately marriages and baptisms of the deGraffenried and Dillingham families. The deGraffenried family had ten children while the Dillinghams claimed seventeen listings for the early years. Even though these two prominent families were quite numerous in the church, there are no direct name bearers of either family listed today as members.

Around the turn of the century Columbus was really expanding, and Trinity was also feeling growing pains of its own. Having outgrown its original building, a second parish was constructed in 1890 at the present location, located between what was known as Randolph (11th Street) and St. Clair (12th Street) on the east side of Oglethorpe Street, now known as 1st Avenue. At that time Oglethorpe was a one way street while the church claimed a large section of median in front of the church as a front lawn. The 'square' effect was popular with pedestrians and church members. It was like a park with the large trees providing shade, until it was abandoned right after the turn of the century. The lot number of the present site is #234 of the original city survey. At the time that the building had been erected, there were seventeen churches serving Columbus. The breakdown as follows: seven Baptist, five Methodist, and one Jewish Synagogue, one Roman Catholic, one Presbyterian, one Christian, and one Episcopal Church.²

One item that was part of the old Trinity Church that was clearly missing was the Old Bell that had tolled and chimed since being installed early in the Church's history. But the bell had become cracked and useless until Charlton and Edith Hudson had the bell recast and restored to its original condition in 1948. It

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was received by the congregation on October 16, 1948 and placed in the tower directly behind the front of the church.

Rectors at Trinity

From 1834 to 1978, Trinity has had thirteen Rectors. Two were elevated to the position of Bishop in the Episcopal Church, a high honor. A list of Rectors, Assistant Rectors, and Locum Tenens (now called Interim) is given below:

<u>RECTOR/TITLE</u>	<u>BIRTH/DEATH (IF LISTED)</u>	<u>TERM</u>
The Reverend William Douglas Cairns	1804-1850	1837-50
The Reverend James Henry Ticknor (Asst.)	1820-1881	1849-50
The Right Reverend Thomas Fielding Scott (First missionary Bishop to Oregon-1854)	1807-1867	1851-54
The Reverend William Tucker Dickinson Dalzell	1827-1899	1854-55
The Reverend Nassau Hawks	1809-1865	1855-65
The Reverend John Fulton	not listed	1866-68
The Right Reverend Samuel Smith Harris Second Bishop of Michigan-1879	1841-1888	1871
The Rev. William Cunningham Hunter	1826-1901	1871-1900
Reverend Clarence (Asst.)	?-1946	1901-03
The Reverend John Loftus Scully	?-1910	1903-06
The Reverend H. Baldwin Dean (Locum Tenens)	not listed	1907
The Very Reverend Samuel Alston Wraggs	1875-1953	1907-32
The Reverend Geoffrey Clyde Hinshelwood	not listed	1932-34
The Reverend Harry Garfield Walker	1882-1945	1935-45
The Reverend Royal Kenneth Tucker (Asst.) (Locum Tenens)	1879-1968	1944-45 1945-46
The Reverend Colin Reid Campbell	1913-	1946-66
The Reverend Norman C. Siefferman	1934-	1966-

THE PRESENT

The church sanctuary is one of the most beautiful in Columbus. Decorated on all four sides by stained glass windows, the effect is dramatic. The pews are divided by marble floors and underlain by crimson carpeting. The lectern at the front of the sanctuary is a brass eagle with a tripod support. From this lectern is where the scripture is read. The minister delivers his sermon from a protruding pulpit made of brass. The choir area is near the altar and both sections face each other, for as the Episcopal handbook states, "they are singing with and not to the congregation, for the glory of God." At the altar a kneeling pillow is provided with a railing for assistance and doubling as a small altar. Two large chandeliers light the main part of the sanctuary and are a contrast to the wooden effect that the ceiling projects.

The beautiful stained glass windows at the back of the sanctuary and the one over the altar are of the Victorian style. This particular style emphasizes fatter and less attractive bodies while also lacking dimension. However, both windows give a dramatic effect during early morning worship hours. The altar window is the

scene of the Baptism of Jesus. With a seating capacity of approximately five hundred, the sanctuary is nowhere as big as other churches, but its simplistic beauty would be hard to match anywhere.

The Chapels

Trinity boasts two beautiful and tranquil chapels. While one is used for small services, such as a baptism or confirmation, the other is used as an individual altar place. The Tower Chapel just described is the smaller of the two and contains a simple arrangement of a railing with kneeling pillows in front of an altar decorated with a cross and candles. The wall behind the altar is graced with two geometric designed stained glass windows. Above the ceiling is the recast and restored bell given by the Hudsons.

The larger chapel has pews, similar in design to those in the sanctuary. It has a low ceiling which gives the place an intimate effect for the visitor. The walls have stained glass windows depicting the seven sacraments.

The Trinity Organ

Although just an average size parish, Trinity boasts the largest organ in Columbus. Its deep resonance has echoed through the Trinity sanctuary since its installation in 1962. Enlargement and general improvements were done in 1972. The total cost of the organ was a hefty \$180,000, and was donated by the Jordan family.

The statistics on the organ are as impressive as the price tag. There are 65 rank (set) of pipes, 32 pedalboard notes, and 61 manual notes located on four levels of keyboards. These notes are connected to six sets of pipes located at the front of the sanctuary and to either side of the chancel. Only about a fifth of pipes in the entire set are visible from the sanctuary. The total number of pipe in the organ is 3,035--quite a few. The largest pipe is 32 feet in length; the smallest is one sixteenth of an inch long. The organ builder was Schantz and the pipes are made of a high percentage of tin. Even though there are carpeted floors under the pews, there is a marble floor and wooden ceiling to bounce the sounds around, thus producing a high quality tone.

THE FUTURE

Trinity celebrated its Centennial in 1934 with hopes for continued progress. The church will be celebrating its sesquicentennial in that so often mentioned year of 1984. From a beginning of twenty-three families to approximately 446 families in 1978 (according to the church directory), Trinity has shown progressive growth. What the future holds is dependent upon the members. As the saying goes, "Give a man a fish, and you feed him for a day; teach him to fish and you feed him for a lifetime."

Endnotes

1. *Columbus Weekly Enquirer*. Letter to the Editor, dated August 23, 1834.
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*Getzen Memorial Baptist Church Cemetery
Harris County, Georgia*

Copied by
June Hanna

Copied Wednesday, April 24, 1985 by June and Lewis Hanna.

Directions and location: Go out Fortson Road to the church which is about half a mile north past the intersection of Smith and Fortson Roads. The church is on the left, on high ground as you go north. The cemetery is on the south side of the church and is completely surrounded by a chain link fence.

Starting at the SW corner: There are about 6 or 8 graves here without markers. The fourth has a funeral home marker:

4. William Thomas Greer / Died June 21? 19__ / Aged 85 yrs. 10 mos., 6 days. / Britton & Dobbs Funeral Home / Columbus, Ga.

5. A plain concrete slab; headslab: Joseph Martin Brady / Aug. 29, 1904 / July 13, 1955.

10. NW corner - a small grave with headmarker: (Son) Andrew Moncrief / Jan. 8, 1928 / June 3, 1928 / June 3, 1928 / He's God's little angel now.

JENKINS-FORTSON Lot in NW corner. Concrete curbed with 11 slabs, one headmarker:

11. T. Willis Fortson / Feb. 16, 1860 / Aug. 24, 1932 / Rest from thy labors Rest tired soul / Set free blessed be thy memory.

12. Minnie Getzen / Wife of / T. Willis Fortson / Aug. 9, 1862 / Dec. 12, 1955.

13. Dr. Frederick M. Jenkins / Dec. 11, 1883 / Mar. 19, 1936.

14. Georgia Mealing Fortson / Wife of / Dr. Fred M. Jenkins / Aug. 16, 1887 / Mar. 21, 1931 / A precious one from us has gone ...(Etc.)

15. Concrete slab: Mark Ernest Fortson / Dec. 5, 1899 / Jan. 28, 1936.

16. Marble slab: Thomas Fortson Jenkins / Jan. 25, 1912 / Apr. 18, 1937.

17. Marble slab: Luther Getzen / Fortson / Oct. 27, 1897 / Dec. 27, 1963.

18. Ella Camp / Wife of / Luther Getzen Fortson / Dec. 7, 1905 / Mar. 7, 1968.

19. Small marble slab: Thomas Willis Fortson II / Son of / Sarah & Luther G. / Fortson Jr. / July 27, 1952 / July 9, 1953.

20. Small Govt. headslab: (Cross)/ William F. Jenkins / Georgia / Capt. 1703 AF Air Trans GP / World War II / June 5, 1916 - June 26, 1952.

Large FORTSON family stone in center of lot

21. Charles Minchin Neal / Sept. 9, 1884 / July 4, 1945 / "Dad"

22. Fannie Fortson / Wife of / Charles Minchin Neal / June 30, 1889 / Jan. 16, 1980 / "Nana"

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On step - Fortson - Neal

23. South side: concrete slab: Walter Y. Smith / Apr. 15, 1891 / Mar. 12, 1918 / US Navy

24. Curbed REESE lot. Reese on step.

Marble slab, broken into four pieces: Tommie Elizabeth Reese / Wife of / L. A. Binns / July 18, 1878 / Dec. 8, 1918 / Christian Affectionate Wife and / Devoted Mother and friend to all.

Next east - concrete curbed lot of three slabs -

25. Slanted: James A. Schrimsher / Born Feb. 28, 1877 / Died Mar. 8, 1952.

26. Infant son of / Mr. & Mrs. / J. W. Reese / Mar. 5, 1921 (only date).

27. Sharon Brownell / Brown Aug. 22, 1943 / Daughter of / Mr. & Mrs. / A. E. Brownell.

Next lot east - JONES lot; curbed, gravelled; Jones on step; 3 plain slabs & double marble headmarker;

28. Mother / Ida A. Greer / Wife of W. T. Jones / mar. 29, 1853 / Mar. 21, 1932 / Rest Mother rest ... (Etc.).

29. Father / William T. Jones / Born / Apr. 10, 1851 / Died / Jan. 25, 1913. / An honest man is the / noblest work of God / God took him and he now / is another link in heaven.

30. Marble headmarker: (Rose on top) / Harriett Jones Burns / Mother of / Margaret & Harriett / Burns / Aug. 1, 1894 / June 28, 1921 / Tho lost to sight to / memory dear.

31. Concrete curbed lot of three slabs: Mrs. Callie Sanders Reese / Born Apr. 9, 1855 / Died Apr. 22, 1921.

32. John Henry Reese / Born July 18, 1851 / Died March 20, 1917.

33. Sanders Brantley Reese / Born July 18, 1851 / Died March 20, 1917.

34. Area - on high ground even with gate; no curb, small granite headslab; Father / William B. / Reese / 1876 - 1956.

35. Small granite headslab: Mother / Cora Dee Reese / 1885 - 1911 Footstone: R on top; Side: OD and Candle.

36. Funeral Home marker: Wm. B. Reese / Feb. 3, 1876 / July 26, 1956 / Striffler Hamby Mortuary (No. 34).

37. Far southside near a gate - concrete slab; Brewster Miller / Land Sr. / May 13, 1900 / Jan. 19, 1982. Small marble square; Masonic sign and 33rd.

38. About 20 feet north of the above: old slanted concrete slab: Julia A. Hubbard / Wife of A. J. (Hubbard?) / Born Jan. 1st 1853 / Died March ____.

39. Near the south gate: an unidentified mound.

East of the above - three old concrete slabs, crudely marked:

40. No ident. (and cracked)

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41. Crude concrete headmarker: Mary? ____ / Wife of / W. G. Hubbard / Died June ____ 190__ (slanted slab).

42. Same type marker: ____ (Reese?) / Christopher (or Christian?) / Wife of / R.? W.? Hubbard? / Died June (1911?)

Concrete curbed STRICKLAND lot.

43. Concrete slab: Elizabeth Strickland / Feb. 15, 1902 / Jan. 23, 1960.

44. Mound and funeral home marker: William H. Strickland Jr. / August 20, 1899 / November 5, 1979 / Striffler Hamby Mortuary / Columbus, Ga.

45. North - outside above lot - Rock strewn grave (or destroyed slab): Small marble obelisk: Henry Green / Born / Birmingham, Eng. / Mar. 16, 1855 / Died / Feb. 18, 1911. Footstone.

Next lot east: concrete curbed with seven polished granite slabs; Family marker: VARDAMAN.

46. Bernard C. Vardaman / Dec. 14, 1900 / Aug. 28, 1954.

47. Ola Gordy Vardaman / Nov. 20, 1868 / Nov. 13, 1954.

48. Ellijay Vardaman / Mar. 17, 1870 / Sept. 5, 1938.

49. J. Alexander Vardaman / Feb. 1840 / Sept. 1925.

50. Sarah J. Vardaman / (Nannie) / Sept. 17, 1850 / Jan. 4, 1912.

51. Myrtis Vardaman / Matthews / (Bozzie) / July 16, 1899 / Nov. 25, 1972.

52. Mae Gordy Matthews / July 23, 1923 / Dec. 3, 1954.

MOORE lot. Next east; concrete curbed, Moore on step; two concrete slabs and one small built up brick grave with no identification.

53. Slab: J. V. Moore / Apr. 14, 1858 / dec. 18, 1928.

54. Slab: Martha Swint / Wife of / J. V. Moore / Apr. 30, 1861 / Jun. 29, 1943.

WEBB-REESE Lot. Webb-Reese on step; raised concrete curbed, graveled; five slabs; double granite headmarkers with urn: Webb

55. Otis / Mar. 23, 1984 / Dec. 6, 1924 / He loved his friends, was a loving / Father and husband.

56. Mamie Charlotte / mar. 23, 1874 / Sept. 6, 1943 / Se was a faithful Christian, a loyal / Friend and devoted Mother. (These slabs were unmarked).

57. Small slab: Elizabeth Ann Reese / Dau. of Mr. & Mrs. / J. Malcolm Reese / Nov. 25, 1953 / Nov. 14, 1953.

58. Clyde Bowden Reese / Nov. 18, 1896 / Jan. 26, 1966.

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59. Ora Webb Reese / Wife of / Clyde Bowden Reese / Dec. 3, 1898 / Feb. 14, 1970.

GETZEN - SMITH Lot. Next east - old concrete curbed lot of four plain slabs with granite headmarkers:

60. Theresa Ella / Getzen / Nov. 22, 1882 / sept. 8, 1969 / At Rest.

61. Nan T. Warner / Spencer / Aug. 1, 1908 / Nov. 2, 1931 / At Rest.

62. L. Luther Getzen / Oct. 5, 1838 / apr. 18, 1931 / His record is on high.

63. Fannie Mealing / Getzen / Aug. 7, 1840 / Apr. 8, 1932. / Faithful to her Trust / Even unto death.

Two raised polished granite slabs:

64. Lucy J. Cannon / Wife of / C. L. Smith / Nov. 13, 1859 / Feb. 2, 1946.

65. C. L. Smith / July 5, 1858 / Apr. 23, 1929.

Lot outside the south gate on lower level. Top of step marked: ODOM 4-1-82. Seven old concrete slabs, down four steps:

66. Concrete slab and headmarker: Bernice O. Chambley (no dates).

67. Concrete slab and granite headmarker: W. P. Odom (No dates).

68-70. Three small slabs - no ident.

71. Concrete slab and marble inset in headmarker: Vennie Odom (no dates).

72. Small concrete slab - no ident. Britton & Dobbs Funeral Home marker: Infant Son of Mr. & Mrs. Clinton Chambley / Died August 22, 1955 / Aged 2 yrs.

73. Unmarked mound beside front gate to this lot, outside lot.

Near entrance gate to cemetery - on east side: Concrete/curbed lot, GOINS on step. Four small headmarkers:

74. Jim Lou Goins / Chapman / Oct. 28, 1894 / Dec. 13, 1929.

75. Govt. Soldier headmarker: Ernest H. Goins / Alabama / SC 2 USNRF/ World War I / June 29, 1896, Oct. 13, 1968.

76. James A. Goins / Jan. 10, 1858 / Nov. 24, 1928.

77. Mary E. Hamer / Wife of / James A. Goins / June 9, 1858 / Jan. 17, 1908.

78. NE corner of cemetery: old bricked adult grave, no ident.

End of Cemetery

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Pastor - Richard W. Chaplin III [1895]

This church is an old building which has been recovered in white aluminum siding. The book *History of Harris County* by Louise Barfield says that it was built in 1904 near the McCrary family cemetery. This McCrary cemetery apparently has been incorporated into the Getzen cemetery. It is said that Rev. Richard Chaplin re-opened this church and re-organized it about five or ten years ago. It is believed that the six or eight unmarked graves in the SW corner of the cemetery are the McCrary family members. Mrs. Elizabeth Akers stated (August 1985) that years ago her aunt told her that her great grandfather, Timothy Green McCrary, and his wife were buried in the Getzen Memorial Church cemetery. They evidently have unmarked graves.

This cemetery was copied April 24, 1985 by June and Lewis C. Hanna. Information later gathered from Mrs. Elizabeth Akers and from her cousin, Ms. Jeane Parker of Gainesville, Ga., concerning the McCrary family. Ms. Parker stated that Timothy Green McCrary was born 1806-07 and died March 13, 1875. He had married three times. First wife: Charlotte Temple Coleman died Dec. 6, 1846; 2nd wife: Elizabeth Ann David; died May 22, 1871; 3rd wife: Mrs. Mary Jane Horn Bussey died ? A total of 14 children.

The Rev. Richard W. Chaplin (retired) has copied all the marked graves here. He states that in the far SW corner is buried a Guy Richardson with no marker.

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